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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

Henry M. Teller was re-elected U.S. Senator by the Colorado Legislature. —— The Indianola postoffice was discussed in the Senate yesterday; Spooner, of Wisconsin, defended the President's action in the matter, and was responded to by McLaurin, of Mississippi. —— The American Tobacco Trust has arranged to secure nearly the whole output of Turkish tobacco. —— Schooner John H. Buttrick, from Boston, for Wilmington, N. C., collided with schooner Hattie C. Luce near Vineyard Haven. —— Two prominent colored men called on President Roosevelt to discuss the appointment of negroes to Federal offices. —— The bill to appropriate $300,000 for headstones for graves of Confederate soldiers in the North passed the Senate. —— Great Britain, Germany and Italy will not entertain the proposal that the blockade of Venezuela be immediately raised; feeling in Washington is that unless the blockading vessels withdraw within a reasonable time grave complications may arise. —— N. Y. markets: Money on call steady; all loans 3 per cent.; cotton quiet at 8 95c; flour was firm and unchanged; wheat—spot firm, No. 2 red 83½; corn—spot quiet, No. 2 63c; oats—spot quiet, No. 2 44½; rosin firm, strained common to good $1.95@2.00; spirits turpentine dull at 61½@62c.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., Jan. 24.

Meteorological data for the twenty-four hours ending at 8 P. M.:

Temperature: 8 A. M., 42 degrees; 8 P. M., 46 degrees; maximum, 54 degrees; minimum, 38 degrees; mean, 46 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .14; rainfall since 1st of month to date, 3.32 inches.

Stage of water in the Cape Fear river at Fayetteville, N. C., at 8 A. M. 12 feet.

STORM WARNING.

Southeast storm signals were displayed at 3:00 P. M. from Wilmington to Baltimore, along the coast. The storm was then central over eastern Kentucky, moving north of east. Winds were expected to increase from easterly and southeast and shift to westerly.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 24.—For North Carolina—Fair Sunday; warmer in north-east portion; Monday fair; fresh northwest winds.

Port Almanac—January 25.

Sun Rises	7.05 A. M.
Sun Sets	5.20 P. M.
Day's Length	10 H. 15 M.
High Water at Southport	6.15 P. M.
High Water Wilmington	8.45 P. M.

If Aguinaldo succeeds in getting that $100,000,000 loan he wants it would give him a good boost to go into the money brokerage business.

The people of Birmingham, Ala., have been doing the clever thing by shipping trains of coal to Chicago and New York to be distributed among the poor.

The Mayor of the city of Worcester, Mass., does not belong to the grabbing class of municipal statesmen. He has vetoed an ordinance raising his salary from $2,500 to $4,000.

A Western contemporary remarks that if Apostle Smoot, Senator-elect from Utah, does not believe in polygamy he should say so. What does it matter what he believes about it if he doesn't practice it?

King Menelik, of Abyssinia, who sometime ago achieved distinction by licking a lot of Italian soldiers sent to punish him, claims the title of Emperor of Ethiopia and to be a descendant in a straight line from King Solomon.

A young Chicago woman wants $50,000 because she was vaccinated against her will. If vaccination came that high generally there would be very little of it done. But they ran up against a woman's will in this case and there is always danger there.

The ten Democrats in the Delaware legislature control the Senatorial situation in that State and are having lots of fun and enjoying their importance. They can't elect a Democrat but they can prevent the other fellows from electing "Gas" Addicks.

The statement of that Virginia lady in the Richmond *Dispatch* that the smoke from burning wool is a preventive of lockjaw is endorsed by others who say they have tried. Another lady says smoke from sugar burned on coals is also a preventive, which she has tested.

We never fully understood how it was that Napoleon got walloped at the battle of Waterloo until we saw the statement that he never learned how to write a legible hand, and that in that scrimmage his generals lost so much time in trying to decipher his written instructions they got left.

FOUND DEAD IN HIS BED.

B. L. Wedenfeller, a Travelling Man of Charlotte, Victim of Acute Attack at The Orton Yesterday Evening.

B. L. Wedenfeller, of Charlotte, travelling salesman for Geo. W. Wiedemann & Co., a brewing concern, of Newport, Ky., was found dead in bed in his room at The Orton yesterday evening at 6:30 o'clock. Mr. Wedenfeller had been a guest at the hotel for about ten days. Friday night he came in rather late, asked for his key and retired to his room as usual. Yesterday morning at 6:30 o'clock a porter waited upon the travelling man and found him in apparently the best of health. He said he didn't care to get up for breakfast but made no complaint.

His non-appearance at dinner occasioned no alarm as he frequently took the mid-day meal elsewhere. Yesterday evening, however, a porter went up to call the guests for supper. Receiving no response from Mr. Wedenfeller's room, he opened the door and went in. To his astonishment the man was found in a natural, easy, reclining position but cold in death. Mr. R. W. Wallace, proprietor of the hotel and chief clerk Baxter were at once notified and after a hasty investigation Dr. C. D. Bell, the county coroner, was notified. Dr. Bell deemed an inquest unnecessary and pronounced the cause of death acute gastritis.

The remains were removed to Undertaker J. F. Woolvin's establishment and prepared for shipment to-day to Mr. Wedenfeller's home at Charlotte, where he has a wife and several children, who were communicated with soon after the death by long distance telephone.

Mr. Wedenfeller had travelled this territory for a long time and was popular in Wilmington. He always made The Orton headquarters while here and every attention was given him there. He was about 38 years of age and was formerly manager of the Augusta Brewing Company's agency at Charlotte. He was a member of the Roman Catholic church and last night the news was broken to the stricken family by telephone by Father Dennen, of Wilmington, through Father Francis, of Charlotte. He was a man of genial disposition and was much liked all over the State. His untimely end will bring sorrow to hundreds of friends.

LOCAL DOTS.

— A thoroughly competent compositor accustomed to newspaper work may secure employment by applying at the STAR office.

— A boy who wishes to learn the printing trade may secure employment by applying at the STAR Job Office. One who has had some experience feeding presses preferred. Must be a resident of the city.

— The annual meeting of the Merchants' Association will be held Tuesday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock in the S. A. L. building. All members are invited to attend. Election of a new board of directors will take place.

— At the North Carolina poultry show at High Point last week, Mr. W. H. McEachern, of this city, captured all but one of the Black Minorca prizes and also took a nice string of special prizes. Mr. McEachern was also elected first vice president of the North Carolina Poultry Association.

Real Estate Transfers.

By deeds filed for record yesterday Thos. H. Wright transferred to Nancy M. Bryant for $10, lot on east side of Eighth, between Dawson and Wright streets, 33x83 feet in size, and E. S. Buck and wife transferred to William Amos Pinner for $30, all their right and title to a tract of land containing 30 acres, more or less, beginning at the mouth of Red Hill branch in Harnett township. By another deed Rufus D. Pinner and wife and Jno. T. Pinner and wife transferred to William Amos Pinner, their right and title in the same tract; consideration $40.

White Sailor Stabbed.

Because he resented a vile epithet applied to him by a negro, Joseph McCormick, a white seaman on the British schooner *James W.*, discharging ballast at the Carolina Central wharves, was violently stabbed under the left shoulder yesterday by Charles Taylor, a West India negro employed on the same vessel. The weapon used was a long sheath knife. A physician was called to the ship and dressed McCormick's wound, which is not considered dangerous. Police Officer Leon George arrested Taylor and locked him up the city prison.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Street Railway—Notice.
Liquor Question—Notice.
N. F. Parker—In Keeping.
W. E. Worth & Co.—Coal.
R. C. DeRosset—New novels.
Geo. O. Gaylord—Spring goods.
Atlantic National Bank—Solicits.
Merchants' Association—Meeting.
J. H. Rehder & Co—Clearing sale.
Solomon's Shoe Store—Shoe strings.
Geo. R. French & Sons—$3 shoes.
Murchison National Bank—Solicits.
Consolidated Railways, Light and Power Co.—Reduced prices.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Wanted—Second hand safe.
Electro Vapor Launch—For sale.
Life Insurance—The Prudential.
Cincinnati Lace Co.—Agents wanted
Consolidated Railways, Light and Power Co.—Heaters and radiators.
Attend Rehder's Great Clearing and Remnant Sale this week. †

THE SUPERIOR COURT

Two Weeks Term for Trial of Civil Cases Will Convene To-morrow.

SEVERAL DAMAGE SUITS.

Hutaff Against Sewerage Company Among the First for Hearing—Others During the Week—Jurors Summoned for the Term.

The New Hanover Superior Court for the trial of civil cases will convene to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock and will continue in session for two weeks, Judge Robt. B. Peebles presiding. There are 37 cases on the trial docket for the term, 181 on the summons docket and 13 on the motion docket. Every day of the two weeks term will be occupied and it is likely that there may be a number of continuances for the reason that they will not be reached in the stress of other business.

The first case on the docket is one brought by the Atlantic Coast Line against Col. A. H. Slocomb for possession of the premises upon which the cooperage works at Nutt and Brunswick streets were formerly located. It is hardly expected that there will be much of a controversy over the matter now, as the cooperage works have already been removed. The second case for trial Monday will be a damage suit for a large amount brought by George H. Hutaff against the Wilmington Sewerage Co. Mr. Hutaff fell into an excavation made by the defendant company in the remote northeastern section of the city some time ago and received bodily injuries which are regarded as permanent. His attorneys are Messrs. Bellamy & Bellamy, Russell & Gore and Herbert McClammy. The sewerage company is represented by ex Judge E. K. Bryan.

No cases of importance are set for trial on Tuesday of the first week, save that of T. G. Williams, administrator, against the Inter-State Telephone Company. A little child of Mr. Williams was recently killed by a stroke of lightning in East Wilmington and it is alleged that an unused wire of the company suspended in the yard of the residence of the child's parents attracted the electricity to the spot. The plaintiff also asks damages in a large amount. The attorneys for the plaintiff are Messrs. Russell & Gore and Meares & Ruark, while the defendant's interest will be looked after by Messrs. Rountree & Carr, E. K. Bryan and Bellamy & Bellamy.

The only other case of interest during the first week of the term is the damage suit of Graham Murray against Dr. C. T. Harper and the City of Wilmington, in which the plaintiff sues for alleged negligence in the removal of a sick child of his, which removal was deemed expedient in observing the health regulations of the municipality. The case is set for Saturday.

On Monday of the second week the big damage suit of "Penny against the railroad" will be tried. The particulars of the case are well known to readers of the city papers.

The jury summoned for the first week of the term is composed as follows: George H. Hudson, Joseph H. Curtis, John Simon, C. S. Riggs, T. F. Tyler, R. A. Culpepper, W. M. Cumming, D. B. Sellars, Thos. M. Emerson, W. B. Cooper, Jno. C. Shepard, W. K. King, W. S. Bunting, A. A. Moffitt, Henry K. Nash, James Sprunt, J. S. Potter, L. Stein.

Recruiting Office Closed.

The United States recruiting office which has been open in Wilmington the past week in the postoffice building was closed last night by Lieut. Richardson, who will leave for Charlotte with his staff of assistants this afternoon. Out of 18 who took the physical examination here, only five came up to the requirements of the navy. Three of the number, Alexander Nelms, Irwin Johnson and Albert Perry, are boys and left last night in charge of a petit officer for the navy training school at Newport, R. I. The officers in charge of the station here were very popular and made many friends. Dr. C. H. Delancey, of the staff, has been transferred to the Marine Hospital service at Norfolk and will be succeeded by Assistant Surgeon Keen, who will join Lieut. Richardson in Charlotte.

Discussed Fowler Currency Bill.

The Fowler Currency bill now pending in Congress was considered very thoroughly at a called meeting of the Executive Committee of the Chamber of Commerce yesterday afternoon. No action was, however, taken. It was decided to call a general meeting of the Chamber for next Wednesday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock, at which the subject will be discussed further, with a view of making an endorsement of the same. At the meeting yesterday President Chadbourn presided and members in attendance were Messrs. J. A. Arringdale, L. B. Rogers, H. W. Malloy and G. J. Boney. The meeting of the Legislative Committee of the Chamber, appointed to be held half an hour later, did not materialize.

Naval Stores Market.

Spirits turpentine continued to climb the ladder of prices yesterday, Wilmington and Savannah having closed firm at 59½ cents. The predicted advance to 60 cents and the equally confident prognostication of a reaction have not yet come to light, though developments of one kind or another are expected early this week. The receipts at Wilmington yesterday were only eight casks.

THE MERRY ELKS' MINSTREL.

Magnificent Production at Academy of Music Next Friday Evening—Programme Announced Yesterday.

The town was billed yesterday evening for the gorgeous minstrel production which will be given at the Academy of Music Friday evening, Jan. 30th, under the direction of Prof. C W. Hollowbush. Neither time, talent nor money will be spared to make the performance fully up to the standard of professionalism. Over 300 incandescents will contribute to the lighting effect and all new and special scenery will be used. Hollowbush's orchestra and 20 trained male voices will participate in the musical features. The programme is as follows:

W. F. ROBERTSON,
ENDS. Interlocutor. ENDS.
Tambos— Bones—
Julius Taylor.....Frank Turrentine
Bob Gwaltney..... ....Lacy Hunt

CHIRPING CONTINGENCY.

J. E. Ellingsworth.....Mr. Lynn
R. F. Fowler.....Will Rehder
W. W. Harrington...Joe Beauchamp
C. E. Moss.....H. G. Smallbones, Jr.

GRAND OPENING OVERTURE.
Assembly.

"Won't You Come Home Billy Bailey," Julius Taylor.
Ballad, "I'm Wearing My Heart Away for You," C. E. Moss.
"Then I'll Be Satisfied With Life," Frank Turrentine.
Ballad, "At the Bottom of the Deep Blue Sea," J. E. Ellingsworth.
"Mr. Dooly," H. Lacy Hunt.
Ballad, "Down Where the Cotton Blossoms Grow," Mr. Lynn.
"In The Good Old Summer Time," Robert H. Gwaltney.
Grand Finale.

OLIO

1. H. W. Angel, the inimitable impersonator of black face comedy, in an original Ethiopean Oddity entitled from "Genesis to Generation."
2. James Cowan, in his astonishing act of juggling, introducing his batons, twirling and fire act.
3. "Zanette," the prestidigitator and exponent of the "Black Art."
5. Wilson and Daniels in the pleasing buck and wing dancing.
6. The Great Percino in the thrilling aerial act falling, blindfolded, 15 feet, catching on his heels on the bar below, an act of daring nerve never seen before.

A WEEK OF GREAT REPERTOIRE.

Mabel Paige Closed Phenomenal Engagement at Academy Last Night.

The Mabel Paige Company closed a week's engagement at the Academy last night, eclipsing all records for a Saturday evening performance and rounding out a series of six productions of popular repertoire, which was attended by the largest number of people in the history of the local theatre for the same period.

Of course, there was a reason for all this, and that reason was that the company was more than deserving of the patronage it received. Every audience was a pleased audience and that speaks for the success of the company throughout the South this season.

The company will leave to-day for an engagement in Raleigh but by offering Manager Willard an extra inducement, a return engagement was secured by Messrs. Cowan Bros. for the week beginning Feb. 16th, with the exception of Saturday night. The company will come for the return date direct from Lynchburg, Va. The "Great Martynne," who is pleasantly remembered here will join the Paige Company at Raleigh this week and will return to Wilmington for the February engagement.

Will Arrive This Morning.

Mr. James Hugh Conley, secretary to Mr. Jno. R. Kenly, of the Atlantic Coast Line in this city, will arrive this morning with his bride, nee Miss Helen Augusta Henderson, of Cloverport, Ky. Mr. and Mrs. Conley will make their home at Dr. Kingsbury's, Fifth, between Orange and Ann streets. They were married at Cloverport early last week at the home of the bride and spent a few days in Washington, D. C. A recent issue of the Thomasville (Ga.) *News*, where the bride and groom recently resided and are well known, speaks of them in very complimentary terms and says they were very popular and had won many friends by their cleverness and geniality.

At the Y. M. C. A.

The regular Sunday afternoon meeting for men at the Y. M. C. A. will be addressed to-day by Rev. J. L. Vipperman, pastor of Brooklyn Baptist church. His subject will be the "Promised Saviour." This will be the third of a series of addresses by Rev. Mr. Vipperman and all have been pronounced of a very high character. The meeting to-day will begin promptly at 5 P. M., with a fifteen-minute song service. All men are cordially invited.

Barge Aground Yesterday.

The steamer *Atlas*, Capt. Fossett, from Philadelphia, towing Standard Oil Barge No. 90, arrived off the Cape Fear bar yesterday morning and in passing in, the barge grounded near the outer red buoy, which is just inside the bar. The tide was extremely low and the failure of the barge to steer was responsible for the grounding. She floated at 4:15 P. M. and passed up the river without perceptible damage.

Steamer City of Fayetteville.

The steamer *City of Fayetteville* arrived yesterday on her second trip from Fayetteville. She is behaving nicely and is making her schedule with striking regularity. She brought down a good cargo of factory goods and country produce. She also had a number of passengers. The steamer will remain in port and leave on her regular schedule at 5 o'clock this afternoon.

IN THE LEGISLATURE.

Bills Aimed at Division of School Fund Between the Races Introduced.

FIRECRACKER LEGISLATION.

Landlord and Tenant Act—Electric Light and Power Companies—Drunkenness a Misdemeanor—No Change in the Senatorial Fight.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., Jan. 24.—Representative King, of Pitt county, introduced in the House to-day a bill to amend the constitution so as to allow a division of the school fund so each race will get the benefit of the tax paid respectively. There is little or no chance for it to receive serious consideration. Other notable bills introduced were:

By Anderson, to incorporate Heard-Assi Railway Co., and allow Clay county to subscribe to its bonds.

By Self, to give electric light and power companies the same rights of condemnation enjoyed by railroads and telegraph companies.

By Thompson, to fix the time for holding Onslow courts.

By Moody, to amend the Law of 1899, compelling butchers to keep registration of cattle purchased.

By Fuller, to require examination of music teachers by a State Board for the purpose.

By Doughton, to amend the public school law, so the Governor will appoint county school boards.

Notable bills passed final reading were:

To incorporate the Bank of Alexander.

To extend the time for levying special tax in Brunswick.

To appoint justices of the peace in Columbus county.

To appoint a sewerage, motor and electric light commission in Newbern.

The resolution requesting North Carolina Congressmen to obtain an appropriation for cleaning out Shallotte river, in Brunswick county.

More than an hour was devoted to a discussion of the bill prohibiting the sale of firecrackers over three inches long, toy pistols and air rifles. Many members objected to including the air rifles and the bill was referred to the Judicial Committee.

The first feature of the day in the Senate was the ratification of a number of new laws, all of a local character. Some notable ones were:

To invite non-resident North Carolinians to attend North Carolina Day at Greensboro next October.

To prevent the manufacture, sale and shipment of liquor into Robeson county.

To authorize Bladen county to levy a special tax to build a jail.

To incorporate the Merchants' and Farmers' Bank, of Winston.

To authorize Asheville to issue bonds.

Norris introduced an important bill to protect landlords against unlawful abandonment by tenants. It provides for $100 fine of any person who entices away a tenant bound in writing or any contract to raise a crop. Also it provides a fine against the tenant so enticed.

Aaron introduced a bill authorizing Mt. Olive to issue bonds for school purposes.

Senators Vann, Henderson and Norris were announced as members on the part of the Senate of the joint committee to investigate the practicability at this time of creating a Code Commission.

A bill making drunkenness a misdemeanor and providing a $10 fine came up and was re-referred to the Judiciary Committee.

A substitute to the bill to amend the charter of Asheville was adopted and sent to the House.

The House bill to extend the time to compromise, commute and settle the State debt to 1905, was passed.

Also bills to prohibit hunting without permission in Robeson county.

To prohibit the manufacture, sale and shipment of liquor in Scotland county.

A bill by Senator Brown to allow lumbermen to have private marks for lumber and boards as now allowed for logs passed second reading, and, on objection, went over until Monday for third reading.

The joint session of the House and Senate to ballot for U. S. Senator was characterized by the usual scattered Democratic vote.

There have been no developments to-day as to the Senatorial fight and the outcome is as mystifying as ever.

The proposed amendment to the constitution of the State introduced in the Senate by Mr. Bellamy, of the Wilmington district, is as follows:

Sec. 1. That section 3, of article 9, of the constitution of the State of North Carolina, be amended by adding thereto the following words: 'But nothing contained herein shall prohibit the people of any race, living in any county, city, town, township or territory, with the consent of the General Assembly, from levying a special tax for educational purposes of that race, if a majority of qualified voters shall, at any election duly held for that purpose, decide to levy said tax, which tax shall be levied upon the property and polls of that race alone.

"Sec. 2. That at the next general election in this State, this amendment shall be submitted to the qualified voters of the whole State. Those in favor of said amendment shall cast a ballot upon which is printed or written, or partly printed or partly written, the words 'For School Fund Amendment,' and those op[posed] to the said amendment shall [cast] a ballot upon which is printed or written, or partly printed or partly written, the words 'Against School Fund Amendment.'

"Sec. 3. That if a majority of the votes cast upon said amendment shall be in favor of the same, it shall become a part of the constitution of the State."

Bishop Watson's Condition.

If anything, the condition of Bishop Watson was somewhat improved last night. No unfavorable symptoms have developed and in no wise may his condition be regarded as alarming. The news will be very gratifying to the Bishop's numerous friends here and elsewhere.

50 and 75c Ladies Hats, 19c at Rehder's this week.

ROOSEVELT INVITED NEGROES

Reception at White House Friday Night Which More Than Rivals Booker Washington Incident.

Following closely upon the heels of the Booker Washington incident at the White House which was a prolific source of denunciation locally and generally, now comes the story of a "bi-colored reception" given there by President Roosevelt night before last. The story which is authentic in marked degree was slow in finding its way into print, but it crept in just the same. The Washington correspondent of yesterday's Charlotte *Observer* in a column and a half report of the "function" says among other things:

"When the story became known today, it was on everybody's tongue. The occasion was the judicial reception, one of the four big annual social functions that is given at the White House during the session, and among the 1,500 invited guests were half a dozen or more negroes, two or three of the number being women. Scores of Southerners were there and many of these took umbrage when they realized the social equality feature of the affair, and left. One Southern Congressman was accompanied by a bridal couple whom he expected to introduce to the chief executive, but when the party saw the colored people they left immediately without shaking hand with the President. Representative Small said he saw a number of people hasten from the building and admitted that he did not himself tarry very long. One of the colored men who were present, according to several who attended the reception, was John C. Dancy, the colored recorder of deeds of the District of Columbia. Another was Judson Lyons, register of the Treasury. It is generally understood that the colored women present were members of the family of Recorder Dancy, but this could not be positively confirmed.

Senator Carmack, of Tennessee, declined to give an interview upon the affair, for the reason, he said, that if he told just what he thought the paper would be excluded from the mails. The Tennessee Senator authorized the publication of his reason for declining to be quoted.

Senator Tillman said: "The thing that bothers me most is the fact that my name was printed this morning as among the guests present. I have not been to the White House this Winter, and do not expect to go while the present occupant resides there. I do not blame any Southern white man or woman for leaving the building last night for I think it is the first time such social equality has ever been attempted at the White House. But then this is a strenuous age and we must be prepared for accidents. I suppose those negroes who attended the reception might be likened to flies in a pan of milk. Northern men may like the milk but Southern men will refuse it."

Several Republican Senators say the President made a mistake and some are inclined to the opinion that the incidents of last night's reception will be far-reaching in their political effect as regards the Republican party. Secretary Cortelyou apparently feared last night that his chief had blundered, for it is related that when the people began to ask about the identity of the President's colored guests he parried the question by saying he believed the Haytian minister and some members of his family were present.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Mr. H. E. Wells is a guest at The Orton.

— Miss Mary Northrop is the guest of Mrs. B. R. Graham of Wallace.

— Mr. James H. Pottle, a director in the Brotherhood Wine Co., of New York, is at The Orton.

— Miss Anita DeRossett, left yesterday to visit her sister, Mrs W. L. Holt, of Fayetteville.

— Mrs. R. W. Wallace and little daughter left yesterday for Rocky Mount, N. C., to visit relatives.

— Mr. Allie J. Mitchell went up to Fayetteville last night to spend Sunday with friends and relatives.

— Mr. F. D. Koonce, the well known lawyer and politician of Onslow county, was a STAR visitor yesterday.

— Mr. Henry Byerly and Mrs. Jungkurth, of Portsmouth, Pa., are in the city on a visit to Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Byerly.

— Capt. W. H. Ward, of Rooks, N. C., is in the city calling on the wholesale trade. He reports much activity in the timber interests along the A. & Y. railroad and a very promising outlook for strawberries.

Golf Tourney Yesterday.

The second match of a handicap tournament for men for a handsome silver loving cup, offered by the Cape Fear Golf Club, was won yesterday afternoon by Mr. George Rountree, who made a net score of 101. Mr. John J. Blair came second in the contest; score 107. The match was for 18 balls and the entries were about a dozen in number. The cup will be awarded permanently to the winner of three of the matches in the tournament. After play yesterday afternoon, tea was served by the ladies to the large number of club members in attendance. The next event on the Cape Fear links is a handicap tournament next Saturday for the ladies.

A. C. L. Conductors.

Speaking of the recent concession by the Atlantic Coast Line to its conductors, the Florence *Times* says: "The conductors on through trains heretofore have been paid by the trip, but under the arrangements made at Wilmington they will now receive two and one-half cents per mile and twenty-five cents an hour over time. On each run there is now a scheduled time in which to make the trip, but a final limit of several hours over schedule time is allowed before the conductors will receive pay for over time."

Read J. H. Rehder & Co's ad announcing their Great Mid-Winter Clearing Sale. †

Selz Schwab Shoes

Make Men's feet glad. They are the best that can be produced for Style, Wear and Comfort. We sell them in Vici, Calf and Box Calf, Bals, Bluchers and Congress.

Price $3.00 and $3.50.

They are trade winners that bring the trade.

SEE OUR WINDOW.

GEO. R. FRENCH & SONS.

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LIQUOR QUESTION!

18 Saloons in Charlotte—City Tax	$18,000
Charlotte is an inland city.	
25 Saloons for Wilmington—City Tax	$25,000
State and County Tax	5,000
Total	$30,000
Seaboard Cities sell much more Whiskey than inland Cities.	
40 Saloons here at $600 per year equal to	$24,000
State and County Tax	8,000
	$32,000

Protect all Schools always from City Treasury, same as Hospital.
jan 25 1t

In Keeping

With the dull and gloomy weather is business. I am sorry to say I cannot do anything with the weather; but to liven up business, I will make special reduced prices for the balance of January. If you have either credit or money, NOW is your opportunity. Would also be glad to renovate that old mattress, or patch that old rocker for just enough money to help pay my men's time in the dull season.

N. F. PARKER,

Furniture and Furniture Novelties, 111 Market St.

Bell 'Phone 613. Inter-State 421.
jan 25 1t

Reduced Prices
Gas Heaters,
Gas Radiators.

For the next few days we will sell our HEATERS and RADIATORS at reduced prices.

GAS, ELECTRIC AND Combination Fixtures Installed at Cost.

Consolidated Railways, Light & Power Co.

jan 25 3t

New and Popular Novels

The Wooing of Wistaria.
The Intrusions of Peggy.
The Blue Flower.
The Little White Bird.
The Kiss of Glory.
The Room with the Little Door.
Letters of a Self-Made Merchant to His Son.
Donovan Pasha, Capt. Macklin,
Cecilia, The Pit.

We sell all $1.50 Books for $1.25.

ROBERT C. DeROSSET,
The Stationer,
ja 25 1f 107 Market St.

Warning.

Notice is hereby given that any one bringing logs to us with nails in them will do so at their own risk. We decline to accept logs with nails in them at

Any Price and Under Any Conditions,

And if they are sold to us and nails are in them, we have been deceived, and the party selling them to us will be HELD ACCOUNTABLE TO US FOR ANY DAMAGES done to our saws or loss of time to our business. We thus publicly call your attention to this fact so there can be no excuse for not knowing that our company does not buy logs with nails in them. We also publicly call your attention to the fact that there is a law which makes driving nails in logs a misdemeanor which is punishable by a fine and imprisonment.

Cape Fear Lumber Co.

Wilmington, N. C., Jan. 24, 1903. jan 24 3t

Printer Wanted.

Wanted, one first class compositor who has had experience on a daily morning paper. Must have good recommendations as to habits and qualifications. Address
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jan 17 tf Wilmington, N. C.

NOTICE.

Cars will not run beyond Hanover street until track work is completed. A. B. SKELDING,
Superintendent.
jan 25 4t

Merchants' Association.

The Annual Meeting of the Merchants' Association will be held on Tuesday, January 27th, at 3:30 P. M., in their office in the Seaboard Air Line building, on Front street. All the members of the association are respectfully invited to be present at that meeting. Election of new Directors will be held. P. HEINSBERGER, Secretary.
ja 25 2t

Very Prompt Settlement.

Mr. Geo. C. Jackson, clerk of Live Oak Camp No. 6, Woodmen of the World, yesterday paid to the widow of the late Capt. J. M. Fisher $1,000, the same having been the amount of insurance carried with that order by the deceased. The insurance was paid within ten days after the claim was filed, which is remarkably prompt in instances of that kind. Readers of the STAR will remember that Capt. Fisher came to a tragic end by drowning from the tug *Alexander Jones* during the holidays.

Wilmington Schooner in Collision

An Associated Press dispatch to the STAR last night from Vineyard Haven, says: "The schooner *John B. Buttrick*' bound from Boston for Wilmington, N. C., collided with the granite-laden schooner *Hattie G. Luce*, of Rockport Me., twenty miles southeast of Highland light, last night. One man from the *Luce* is known to have been drowned and two others clambered aboard the *Buttrick*, which put in here to-day. The fate of the *Luce* is unknown."

Chairman Geo. L. Morton.

In its report of the Senatorial caucus, the Raleigh *Post* yesterday said: "Hon. Geo. L Morton, the chairman of the joint Democratic caucus, is winning laurels as a presiding officer. For two solid weeks he has presided over the Senatorial caucus, and at all the varying stages he has maintained a steady poise in the chair. A gentleman of courteous, dignified knowledge of parliamentary usages, he is filling the station to which the Democrats in the Legislature have called him with credit to himself and their discriminating judgment."

Merry Companion Social Club.

The annual masquerade and civic ball under the auspices of the Merry Companion Social Club will take place Wednesday night in Germania Hall. It promises to be a most enjoyable affair. The committee in charge is making elaborate preparations for the ball and the attendance will be very large. Tickets admitting a lady and gentleman are being sold for $1.00.

COMING TO-MORROW EVENING.

Fifth Number in Star Course at Y. M. C. A.—Quaker Male Quartette.

The Quaker Male Quartette is said to be one of the best organizations on the road, and they are said to have been filling "return date" concerts throughout the season.

In Salisbury and at Clemson College, S. C., they are said to have played to "standing room only" and gave universal satisfaction. President Hartzog, of Clemson College, said: "The Quakers gave a charming entertainment, and the large audience manifested their appreciation by continually encoring each and every one of the Quartette."

Reserved seats are still on sale at DeRosset's. Reserved seats, 75 cents; general admission, 50 cents.

Mr. James H. Pottle, a director in the Brotherhood Wine Co., of New York blew into Wilmington last evening. The Brotherhood Wine Co., is one of the oldest and largest houses in the United States in their line, and produce only a high grade of family wines and liquors. They sell only to clubs and family trade, and their fine products are found on the most representative tables of the South. The Brotherhood Wine Co.'s champagne is said to be equal to the best foreign brands, and their still wines are noted for their purity and decided character. Mr. E. R. Emerson, President of the Brotherhood Wine Co., is also President of the "Champagne Maker's Association of America," and has done more to enhance the quality and popularity of American wines than any other man in the United States.

For Asthma use CHENEY'S EXPECTORANT.
For sale by J. C. Shepard

The Morning Star.

WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

SUNDAY MORNING, JANUARY 25.

HANNA FIRST CHOICE

Some time ago the Baltimore *Sun* had a letter from its Washington correspondent in which it was stated that President Roosevelt had become so thoroughly absorbed with planning for the nomination in 1904 that he has become "stark, staring mad" on that subject and subordinates nearly everything else to this pet ambition. He makes no concealment of that ambition, does not say that he is at the service of his party if it desires him to be its standard bearer, but that he does not seek the office, preferring that it should seek him. He isn't influenced by any scruples or modesty on that line, but candidly confesses that he wants the nomination, wants it bad, and is going to get it if he can. If he does not say so in so many words, he says it by his actions. It is said that "actions speak louder than words." In his case they speak so loud that they leave no ground for doubt as to their meaning.

If it were not for this consuming ambition he never would have been as inconsistent with himself as he has been, nor made, as he has done, his own judgment subordinate to the judgment of machine politicians, to whom he has entrusted the work of political manipulation to promote his candidacy. With this object he called Gen. Clarkson, the practical, and not scrupulous, politician from Iowa, and gave him a Federal appointment in New York, where he is presumed to be employed in the duties for which he draws a salary, while in fact most of his time is spent in political work for his anxious chief.

With this object he called Mr. Payne, another practical politician, from Wisconsin, and gave him the Postmaster Generalship, made vacant by the resignation of Chas. Emory Smith.

With this object he has been playing a sort of see-saw game with the "Lily Whites" and "Lampblacks" in the South, unable yet to decide on which side to flop.

Thus far he has not gone quite far enough to insure capturing the Lampblacks, but almost far enough to array the Lily Whites against him. He hasn't gone far enough to capture the Lampblacks, for they have been encouraged by his coquetting, under the seductive urging of Clarkson and Payne, to make demands that he will find it impossible to yield to if so inclined, and while they are making them they are talking about organizing the negro voters in the close States of the North and asserting their retributive power at the ballot box if their demands go unheeded.

But there are other complications that confront him and will confront him more as the time draws near when the struggle for the nomination will begin. It is not to be supposed that there will be only one candidate and that President Roosevelt will be the unanimous choice of his party. He never was and he is less so now than ever. He has made enemies among the Trust magnates and their representatives by the position which he took last Summer on the trust question. They will wreak vengeance upon him if they can by defeating him for the nomination, or working for his defeat at the polls if nominated. They have, or will have their organs, which will deliver their fire when the time comes and they think it will prove the most effective. One of these, the New York *Sun*, the most persistent, and robust Republican paper in New York, put him up as a target when he started out in his assault upon the trusts and has been popping at him now and then ever since. It shoots straight, too, when it does shoot, and never permits any incident to pass which will give it an opportunity to take another shot, without seeming to have an ulterior motive in doing so. When the time comes for open warfare Mr. Roosevelt will have no more relentless or vigorous opponent than the New York *Sun*, and it will have behind it a constituency with millions at command in that fight.

He has alienated the white Republicans of the South, who, although they amount to but little in national elections, have votes in national conventions, and that's where Mr. Roosevelt will most need them. The Crums and other negro politicians can't help him there, for they will not figure much in the next national convention.

He has aroused antagonism in Congress, especially in the Senate, by dictating legislation, and insisting that certain measures must be passed, with threats of calling special sessions if they are not. Senators, who stand upon their dignity, are sensitive at such interference, which they regard as arrogant assumption, and resent it in ways that to them seem best, sometimes giving voice to their dissatisfaction, as Senator Hoar did a few days ago when he indulged in a homily on this Presidental "meddling with legislation." It is said that the sentiment against Roosevelt is now so strong among the Republican Senators that they have fixed upon the men they are going to pit against him, their first choice being Senator Hanna, and if he declines to enter the race, then Senator Fairbanks, of Indiana, one of the few men mentioned as nursing that ambition and willing to enter for the contest against Roosevelt. Hanna says he doesn't want "the job" and wouldn't have it. But there is plenty of time for him to change his mind if he discovers that the trend is in his direction. He can then still "not want the job" but may sacrifice himself and yield to the irresistible demands of his party. It is folly to suppose that he doesn't want it. It would be the grand finish of a most remarkable career—President-maker and President. The politicians have their eye on Hanna and so has Roosevelt.

SHIFTING THE BLAME.

As might have been expected the Commodore in command of the German war vessels blockading Venezuelan ports in his report of the bombardments of Fort San Carlos, charges the Venezuelans with provoking the attack by firing upon the Panther, with what he calls a "heavy fire," while the Panther was passing the bar. A correspondent of the London *Daily Mail* gives another, and a much more probable version. He says that on account of insecure anchorage the Panther moved in closer to the fort; that one shot was fired as a warning, which being unheeded another shot was, when the Panther reciprocated by opening upon the fort. The Panther got the worst of it and steamed to sea beyond the range of the fort's guns. This is probably the "heavy fire" referred to in the report.

Then the three ships went in and bombarded and destroyed the fort, according to the Commodore's report "to exact immediate punishment, the more so as the Venezuelan Government had proclaimed it (the repulse of the Panther) a victory," so the German naval expert in Berlin who expressed the opinion that the second attack was to "punish the insolence" of the Venezuelans was about right.

The German Foreign Secretary in speaking of this matter in the Reichstag said the attacks at Maracaibo were "to enforce the blockade" and further on in his speech he said they were "probably to enforce the blockade," so it seems that he was not quite sure about it.

The truth will probably be found in the version of the newspaper correspondent to which we have referred and that the first and second attacks on the fort were made to punish the "insolence" in firing those "warning shots," and in afterwards returning the fire of the Panther. They "punished the insolence" by destroying a fort, killing a number of soldiers and other people, who had no warning and no chance of escape, and then perhaps they felt that they had done something heroic and proved the powers of Germany.

A GOOD TRADE.

If the treaty with Colombia providing for right of way (for that is what it is) for the Panama canal be ratified by the Senate it will be the closing of a good bargain for Colombia, which gets $10,000,000 cash, and $250,000 perpetual annuity. According to the bill that passed Congress, the President was authorized to negotiate with Colombia and to pay the Panama Canal Company $40,000,000 for its franchise and the work done upon the canal, but we do not remember anything about $10,000,000 bonus to Colombia.

Whether the ratification of the treaty will put the business in such shape that work may be commenced and carried out without further parley we do not know, but suppose it will, unless some one discovers some way of pulling this country for a few millions more, as Colombia did, which at first seemed satisfied with an annuity of $100,000 and later raised to $500,000 when it appeared that this country was anxious about that canal and the strip of land through which it will run.

As far as the treaty goes it seems to be sufficiently comprehensive to give this Government undisputed right of way and the right to guard, police and protect the canal and its entrances from internal or external interference, in other words, to assume complete control over it, its revenues and its management, which was what all Americans desired as a condition to this Government becoming identified with it.

Now that the way seems to be cleared for the beginning of this work, which has been so long and earnestly advocated, and so frequently set back when it seemed assured, there should be no further dallying with it. The work should begin at once, and pushed to completion with all the dispatch that good work and safety will permit.

Senator Hoar is of the opinion that if President Roosevelt would confine himself strictly to the duties of his office he would have enough to keep him occupied without "meddling with Congress," where he has no business to meddle.

For LaGrippe and Influenza use CHENEY'S EXPECTORANT

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Hon. H. M. Teller was nominated for the Senate by the only woman member of the Colorado Legislature. He was nominated in the name of "the pure womanhood of the greatest State in the Union, in the august name of liberty for the oppressed of all the earth, and in the name of justice" and yet in spite of that oratorical send-off the pesky Republicans are unchivalrous enough to be trying to beat him. That female member will doubtless give them a piece of her mind, if she has not already done it.

A London paper tells of an English woman who is so anxious to be beautiful that she is paying $4,000 for the job, and submits to a treatment of six or seven hours a day, one hour soaking in a bath, four hours in a dark room, and the other two bandaged like an Egyptian mummy. She must be awfully ugly; but what she really needs is to have her brains operated upon and some more sense injected into them.

Hanna is taking a hand in the Delaware Senatorial racket. He is afraid some of the Republicans, who are opposed to Addicks, will pool with the Democrats and elect a Democrat. He also took a hand in the Colorado racket and urged bouncing Democrats enough to elect Wolcott. Uncle Mark isn't particular as to how he gets there when Presidents, Senators, etc., are at stake.

The latest surgical feat to attract attention was in St. Louis where the doctors sewed up a slit which a young man cut in his heart, took a piece out of a lung which he had also cut, then sewed the lung up and left the young man in a fair way to recovery, and to think over the wonders of modern surgery.

Eight years ago the Mexican boll weevil moved over into Texas, where the climate and conditions have proved so favorable that it has spread over a considerable area of the State, doing damage last year estimated at from $8,000,000 to $25,000,000. It is said to be a tough customer and proof against ordinary insecticides.

CURRENT COMMENT

—— The Spanish speaking New Mexicans remind Congress that "Minnesota is more than half Norwegian, with a native of Norway in the Senate." However, Minnesota is not nearly so far South as New Mexico, and that may count for something.—*Charleston News and Courier, Dem.*

—— If private citizens attempted to collect bills at the end of a shooting iron it would be but following the example of Germany, Great Britain and Italy, even up to the present moment down in Venezuela—but thanks to advancing civilization we have made one step at least out of barbarism and don't any longer collect "private" bills in that way.—*Norfolk Ledger, Dem.*

—— Gentlemen who have figured it all out tell us that the census figures show $1,320 as the average of wealth of the people of the United States. Of this amount Mr. Rockefeller holds the "average" belonging to $300,000 inhabitants; Mr. Morgan, the Goulds, the Vanderbilts, the Carnegies and others hold pretty much all the balance.—*Chattanooga Times, Ind.*

—— His Majesty, the Sultan of Jolo, is dead. He is one of the oriental despots to whom this government paid tribute to keep them quiet. Once upon a time an American statesman roused enthusiasm by the sentiment, "Millions for defence, but not one cent for tribute!" That was very long ago.—*Norfolk Landmark, Dem.*

WILMINGTON DISTRICT.

R. B. JOHN, P. E., Wilmington, N. C.

Magnolia, Providence, Jan. 24, 25.
Clinton, Clinton, Jan. 30
Kenansville, Friendship, Jan. 31, Feb. 1.
Bladen, Bethlehem, Feb. 7, 8.
Elizabeth, Elizabethtown, Feb. 9.
Carver's Creek, Council Station Feb. 10.
Onslow, Queen's Creek, Feb. 14, 15.
Jacksonville and Richlands, Half Moon, Feb. 21, 22.

District Stewards will please meet in the Ladies' Parlor, Grace church, Wilmington, Tuesday Dec. 30th, at 1 o'clock.

Missionary Institute will be held at Grace church Feb. 4th and 5th, 1903.

District conference will meet at Jacksonville Tuesday Mar. 17th at 5 o'clock P. M. and continue through the 18th and 19th, 1903.

— Willie—Pa, what do you mean by saying "Silence is golden? Pa—We mean the silence of other people, my son, particularly of curious little boys.

Domestic Troubles.

It is exceptional to find a family where there are no domestic ruptures occasionally, but these can be lessened by having Dr. King's New Life Pills around. Much trouble they save by their great work in Stomach and Liver troubles. They not only relieve you, but cure. Only 25c, at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store. †

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ON THE GENTLE ART OF FORGIVING.

W. D. NESBIT.

How good we feel when we forgive
Another who has done some wrong!
It thrills us like the cadences
Of some joy laden, lifting song.
We feel the true nobility
Of gentleness; of how to live;
We mark his thankfulness with pride
When we forgive.

To know that we may rise above
The pettiness of rage and hate
And wipe away all trace of hurt
Is something fine, and something great.
To let our deep resentment flow
Like heedless water through a sieve—
It makes the better men of us
When we forgive.

To clasp hands with the erring one
And vow that what is past is past
Will coax the sun of gladness out
Where now the sky is overcast.
Ah! Life is happy, after all,
And more than worth the while to live.
We always realize our good
When we forgive.

We understand the weakness of
The other man; and so at length
We come to grasp the wonderousness
Of our transcendent moral strength
When we forgive we only learn
Our better part, and do not see
That we are being kind to one
As bad as we!

—*Chicago Tribune.*

SUNDAY SERVICES.

Services at Seamen's Bethel this afternoon commencing at 3 o'clock, conducted by Rev. Mr. Hogue. The public invited.

Fifth Street M. E. Church, South, Rev. F. M. Shamburger, pastor: Services at 11 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Sunday school, 3 P. M., John T. Sholar supt.

First Baptist church: 11 A. M. Rev. E. E. Bomar, D. D., of Richmond, Va., will speak on Foreign Missions; 7:30 P. M. "Home" will be Dr. Blackwell's subject.

St. Matthew's English Lutheran church, North Fourth street, Rev. C. W. Kegley pastor: Sunday School at 9:45 A. M.; preaching at 11 A. M.; services at 7:30 P. M.; every person welcome.

Services in St. John's church to-day, Third Sunday after The Epiphany: Rev. J. Carmichael, D. D., rector: Holy Communion at 7:45 A. M. Morning prayer and sermon at 11 o'clock. Sunday school at 4 P. M.

St. Paul's Lutheran church, Sixth and Market streets, Rev. A. G. Voigt, pastor: To day German services at 11 A. M. English services at 7:30 P. M. Sunday school at 3:30 P. M. Everybody cordially invited.

First Church of Christ, Scientist, Murchison bank building on Chesnut street: Services this morning at 11 o'clock and at 8 P. M. Subject of lesson sermon: "Love." All are invited.

Brooklyn N. C. Mission, corner Fourth and Bladen streets: Services Sunday 11 A. M., and 7:30 P. M Subject Sunday night, "The Ferry Boat" Sunday school 10 A. M. Prayer meeting every Thursday evening at 7:45. All are welcome. Elder G. C. Minor pastor.

SUNDAY SELECTIONS.

— Some people join the church to save their respectability instead of their souls.

— He who walks in the devil's tracks will have to go through a great deal of mud.

— If you will view the devil in the light of truth, he will not look like an angel of light.

— Peace of conscience and purity of soul are worth infinitely more than a purse full of golden guineas.

— Some church members will condemn all the plays at the theatre, and yet they "play the devil" at home every day.

— The busy preachers are the useful preachers. The preachers who cannot find time to "do the work of an evangelist, make full proof of the ministry," are usually worthless.

— Faith in God as goodness inspires faith in ourselves, and, therefore, hope that we are made for something, and that by perseverance we can accomplish something. Thus faith in God is the root and the strength of all sure hope.—*James Freeman Clarke.*

— There is no law of miracle. There is a law of decay. The future builds on the ever-vanishing present: what we become to-day we will be to-morrow. This is evolution. It may seem to be a slow process, but all growth that is lasting is slow; and the Eternal is in no hurry, for he has all time in which to work.—*W. D. Little.*

TWINKLINGS;

— Prosperity spoils some folks, but others seem to be able to get along without it.—*Puck.*

— Next to the art of talking is the art of listening. The art of saying something is a poor third.—*Punch.*

— Miss Cittiguri—What makes the little brook bound along so from rock to rock? Mr. Countrichap—'Cause it's made out 'o springs.—*Baltimore American.*

— "Mark you, if we honest men do not organize the politicians will ignore us." "Ay! But if the organization amounts to anything the politicians will capture it."—*Puck.*

— "Hello," said Cadleigh, "I hear you've had some reverses over your ears in debt, they tell me." "Yes," replied Brokeleigh, "but it might be worse. Suppose I had ears like yours!" *Phil. Press.*

— "He says he'd share his last dollar with me," "Yes," said the man who looks at things coldly; "but he is a man who will take precious good care never to get down to his last dollar."—*Washington Star.*

— "I am glad to note," said the friend, "that gambling is a vice that has no temptation for you." "None whatever," answered Senator Sorghum. "I am unable to find any excuse for a man's risking his money when there are so many sure things lying around begging for attention."—*Washington Post.*

— The Irrepressible Child—Ma, is there any difference between level and flat? His Mother—No, dear. The I. C.—Then why did pa get angry when Mr. Jones said he was a flathead, and then feel good when he heard that Mr. Smith said he was level-headed?—*Columbia Jester.*

— Mrs. Greene—They tell me your husband has been decorated by some foreign ruler. Mrs. Brown—Yes, but it's only a bit of ribbon, and it doesn't match my complexion at all. When Charles wears it anywhere he'll have to go without me.—*Boston Transcript.*

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"Favorite Prescription" establishes regularity, dries weakening drains, heals inflammation and ulceration and cures female weakness.

"I wish to thank you for the good your medicines have done me," writes Mrs. Mae Brown, of Canton, Fulton Co., Ills. "I was troubled with female weakness and doctored with several different doctors. They did not seem to help me; indeed I got worse all the time. I had ulceration and displacement of the uterus. What I suffered no tongue can tell. I had heavy bearing-down pains and thought my back would kill me. I also had a very bad drain, but after taking five bottles of 'Favorite Prescription' and three of 'Golden Medical Discovery,' I am feeling as well as ever. It has been almost two years and I have had no return of the trouble. My friends tell me I don't look as though I ever was sick."

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SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Durham *Sun*: Miss Cordelia Rigsbee, of West Durham, attempted to commit suicide Wednesday night by drinking laudanum. She swallowed six drachms; when it was found out an antidote soon relieved her. Despondency is said to be the cause of the rash act. This is the second or third time she has tried to take her life.

— Asheboro *Courier*: The little two-year-old child of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Ridge, of Concord township, was burned to death one day last week. The family were all out of the room and it is supposed the child threw a piece of paper in the fire, causing a blaze to flash up and catch its clothing. The little fellow was burned so badly that he died the next day.

— Sanford *Express*: We have heard it suggested that the Atlantic & Western railroad track between Sanford and Jonesboro be also made an overhead trolly line. Trolly cars could be operated between here and Jonesboro on this line at a very small cost to the railroad company. Toe cars could be run every half hour in the day without interfering with the schedule of the regular trains. This would make Sanford and Jonesboro practically one town.

— Wilson *Times*: Last Saturday evening Doane Morris, the fourteen-year-old son of Mr. N. A. Morris, shot a negro by the name of Westly Robbins with a winchester rifle. The trouble occurred over Morris' dog which he had told the negro to interfere with. The bullet entered the negro's thigh and imbedded itself in the leg near the large bone. Dr. W. S. Anderson attended the negro and says that the wound may set up serious complications.

— Elizabeth City *Tar Heel*: A recent visitor to this city was heard to say: "I verily believe that the Donald farm, in Hyde county, is the best farm in the world. I have travelled throughout America and in many foreign countries, and I have never seen better farm lands than in Hyde county, North Carolina." This farm embraces 20,000 acres, and is owned by Mr. M. Makeley, of Edenton. It was developed by Judge Donald, a wealthy planter who flourished in the ante-bellum days.

— Salisbury *Truth-Index*: G. A. Barnhart, of Augusta, for many years a leading man in Davie county, now about 64 years of age, shot and instantly killed Brack Williams, an eighteen-year old boy, Sunday evening. Williams was in Barnhart's kitchen joking with Mrs. Barnhart, aged about 31, when he was shot. This is said not be the true cause of the murder, as Barnhart has been threatening to kill his man for some time. Barnhart was carried to Mocksville and jailed, but it is reported has been released on a $9,000 bond.

Best Milk Cow.

The milkman was treating himself to a holiday. Before starting he said to the hired man: "Be sure and feed the best milk cow well. Give her all the roots she can eat." Coming into the yard on his return, he saw piled up against the pump a good supply of carrots, turnips and parsnips. "What's this for?" he inquired angrily. "Sure, and isn't the old pump the best milk cow after all?" answered Pat.—Farm Journal.

Like All Gossip.

Mrs. Abel—How Mrs. Cuttle did run on about the Perkinses! I have no patience with a woman who talks so about other folks.

Mrs. Cain—Neither have I. It's perfectly disgusting! But what Mrs. Cuttle said about the Perkinses was awfully interesting.—Washington Times.

What a Man Thinks.

"When a man of twenty considers a woman, he thinks of her beauty, but at thirty he thinks of her loquacity."

"What does he think at forty?"

"Oh, he thinks only of himself by that time."—Indianapolis News.

Grief.

Grief never sleeps. It watches continually, like a jealous husband. All the world groans under its sway, and it fears that by sleeping its clutch will become loosened and its prey then escape.

Take no chances on the man who wants to lend you a dollar. He'll probably come back later for ten.—Baltimore News.

Sometimes the man who hesitates is just the fellow who doesn't get lost.—Minneapolis Times.

A Marvelous Invention.

Wonders never cease. A machine has been invented that will cut, paste and hang wall paper. The field of inventions and discoveries seem to be unlimited. Notable among great discoveries is Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption. It has done a world of good for weak lungs and has saved many a life. Thousand have used it and conquered Grip, Bronchitis, Pneumonia and Consumption. Their general verdict is: "It's the best and most reliable medicine for Throat and Lung troubles." Every 50c and $1.00 bottle is guaranteed by R. R. BELLAMY, druggist. Trial bottles free. †

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COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

(Quoted officially at the closing by the Chamber of Commerce.)

STAR OFFICE, January 24.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market firm at 59½c per gallon.

ROSIN—Market firm at $1.65 per barrel for strained and $1.60 per barrel for good strained.

TAR—Market firm at $1.60 per barrel of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Market firm at $2.00 per barrel for hard, $3.50 for dip.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine firm at 43@43c; rosin firm at $1.10@1.15; tar firm at $1 25; crude turpentine firm at $1.35 @2.50.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	8
Rosin	772
Tar	211
Crude turpentine	14

Receipts same day last year—7 casks spirits turpentine, 117 barrels rosin, 130 barrels tar, 35 barrels crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market firm on a basis of 8¼c per pound for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	6¼ cts. ₱ lb
Good ordinary	7⅛ " "
Low middling	8¼ " "
Middling	8½ " "
Good middling	9⅛ " "

Same day last year, market steady at 7⅝c for middling.

Receipts—504 bales; same day last year, 628.

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COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS—North Carolina, firm, Prime, 60c; extra prime, 65c; fancy, 70c, per bushel of twenty-eight pounds. Virginia—Prime, 60c; extra prime, 65c; fancy, 70c. Spanish (new), 65@70c.

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EGGS—Dull at 20c per dozen.

CHICKENS—Firm. Grown, 25@30c; springs, 15@20c.

TURKEYS—Firm at 12@12½c for live.

BEESWAX—Firm at 25c.

TALLOW—Firm at 5¼@5½c per pound.

SWEET POTATOES—Dull at 50c per bushel.

BEEF CATTLE—Firm at 2@4c per pound.

FINANCIAL MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Jan. 24.—Money on call steady, all loans 3 per cent., closed offered at 3 per cent.; time money was steady: 60 days, 4¾ @5 per ct; 90 days, 4¾@5 per cent; six months 4¾@5 per cent. Prime mercantile paper 5@5½ per cent. Sterling exchange was firm, with actual business in bankers' bills at 486 95 for demand and at 483.95 for sixty days. Posted rates were 484¼ and 487½@488. Commercial bills 483@484. Bar silver 47¼. Mexican dollars 37½. Government bonds steady. State bonds—no report. Railroad bonds heavy. U. S. funding 3's, registered, 109; U. S. refunding 3's, coupon, 109; U. S. 3's, registered, 107; do. coupon, 108; U. S. 4's, new registered, 124½; do. coupon, 136½; U. S. 4's, old, registered, 110; do. coupon, 110; U. S. 5's, registered, 103; do. coupon, 104¼; Southern Railway, 5's, 117. Stocks: Baltimore & Ohio 100¼. Chesapeake & Ohio 51½; Manhattan L 150¾; New York Central 151; Reading 60⅞; do. 1st preferred 87¾; do. 2nd preferred 74; St. Paul 176½; do. pref'd, 191; Southern Railway 34¾; do. pref'd 94¾; Amalgamated Copper 63; People's Gas 103¾; Sugar 129½; Tennessee Coal and Iron 62½; U. S. Leather 12¾; do. pref'd, 88¾; Western Union 89; U. S Steel 36⅜; do. pref'd 86¾; Virginia-Carolina Chemical 61; do. preferred, 121. Sales — common. Standard Oil, 735@738.

BALTIMORE, Jan. 24.—Seaboard Air Line, common, 25½; do. preferred, bonds, 42¾; fours, 84.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Jan. 24—Rosin firm. Strained common to good $1 95@2 00. Spirits turpentine dull at 61¼@62.

CHARLESTON, Jan. 24—Spirits turpentine firm at 58½c; sales — casks. Rosin firm; sales — casks: A, B, C, $1 60; D, $1 60; E, $1 60; F, $1 65. G, $1 75; H, $2 00; I, $2 35; K, $2 85; M, $3 30; N, $3 80; W G, $3 75; W W $4 25.

SAVANNAH, Jan 24—Spirits turpentine was firm at 59½c; receipts 161 casks; sales 211 casks; exports 796 casks. Rosin firm; receipts 4,413 barrels; sales 3,289 barrels; exports 283 barrels. Quote: A, B, C, $1 70, D, $1 70; E, $1 70; F, $1 75; G, $1 85; H, $2 05; I, $2 45; K $2 90; M, $3 35; N, $3 55; W G, $3 75; W W, $4 20.

COTTON MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Jan. 24.—The cotton market opened at a decline of one to four points, and subsequently ruled a point or two easier, cables being unsatisfactory and public support not forthcoming to the extent required to hold the market against a disposition to liquidate long interests and the increased volume of selling for short account. The local weakness was increased by Southern selling orders with the New Orleans speculative market, heretofore the strongest on the list, showing leading weakness as compared with New York conditions. The buying was chiefly by shorts who had profits in sight and were disposed to secure them in view of bad weather in the South which was looked to check next week's movement.

NEW YORK, Jan. 24. - Cotton quiet at 8.95c; net receipts 445 bales; gross receipts 3,089 bales; stock 162,333 bales.

Spot closed quiet; middling uplands 8.95c; middling gulf 9.20c; sales — bales.

Futures opened easy and closed quiet and steady. Closing quotations were: January 8.73, February 8.69, March 8.73, April 8.75, May 8.77, June 8.77, July 8.77, August 8.85, September 8.55, October 8.05.

Total to-day, at all seaports—Net receipts 28,754 bales; exports to Great Britain 17,178 bales; exports to France 6,800 bales; exports to the Continent 15,093 bales; stock 1,076,643 bales.

Consolidated, at all seaports—Net receipts 28,754 bales; exports to Great Britain 17,178 bales; exports to France 6,800 bales; exports to the Continent 15,093 bales.

Total since September 1st, at all seaports—Net receipts 5,693,725 bales; exports to Great Britain 1,775,838 bales; exports to France 500,979 bales; exports to the Continent 1,818,608 bales.

Jan. 24.—Galveston, firm at 8 13-16c, net receipts 10,860 bales; Norfolk, steady at 8 13-16c, net receipts 3,065 bales; Baltimore, nominal at 8¾, net receipts — bales; Boston, quiet at 8 9-16, net receipts 824 bales; Wilmington, firm at 8¾c, net receipts 504 bales; Philadelphia, quiet at 9.20c, net receipts 20 bales; Savannah, steady at 8 9-16c, net receipts 5,338 bales; New Orleans, quiet at 8¾c, net receipts 4,958 bales; Mobile, quiet at 8 9-16c, net receipts 496 bales; Memphis, steady at 8 11-16c, net receipts 1,189 bales; Augusta, firm at 8 15 16c, net receipts 725 bales; Charleston, firm at 8¾, net receipts 268 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, Jan. 24.—Flour was firm and unchanged; Minnesota patents $4 15@4 35; winter straights $3 50 @3 65; winter patents $3 65@4 00; winter extras $2 80@3 10; Minnesota bakers' $3 25@3 40; winter low grades $3 00@2 90. Wheat—Spot firm. No. 2 red 85¾c. Options were active and generally stronger on renewed heavy Western buying, rains in Southern Argentine, higher French cables, attended by buying orders and active local covering. The market closed strong on the French buying with last prices ½@⅝c net higher: May closed 83⅞c; July closed 80¾c. Corn—Spot quiet; No. 2 62. Option market opened easy with cables, but recovering on the wheat advance, ruled active and firm during the forenoon. The close was firm at ½@⅝c net advance: February closed 59c. March closed 55½c; May closed 50¾c; July closed 48¾c. Oats—Spot quiet; No. 2, 44c. Options firm; May closed 43c. Lard steady; Western steam $10 40; refined steady; continent $10 55; compound 7¼@7¾c. Butter steady; extra creamery 26c; State dairy 18@25c. Cheese firm; new State full cream, small colored, fancy fall made 14c; small white, fall made, 14¼@14½c. Pork firm; family $18 75@19 00; short clear $19 50@21 50; mess $18 00@18 50. Tallow firmer; city ($3 per package) 6⅛c; country 6¼@6⅝c. Coffee—Spot Rio was quiet; No. 7 invoice 5¼c; mild quiet; Cordova 7@11¾c. Rice firm; domestic, fair to extra 4¾@6¾c; Japan nominal. Molasses firm; New Orleans, open kettle, good to choice, 32@40c. Peanuts easy; fancy hand picked 4¾@4¾c; other domestic 3@4½c. Cabbages quiet; domestic, per barrel red $1 00@1 25; white 75@90c. Freights to Liverpool—cotton by steam 13c. Eggs firm; State and Pennsylvania average best 25c; Western fancy 24c; Kentucky 19@24c. Sugar—Raw steady; fair refining 3 5-16c; centrifugal, 96 test, 3 13-16; molasses sugar 3 1-16c; refined dull; confectioner's $4 60; mould A $5 00; cut loaf $5 35; crushed $5 35; powdered $4 85; granulated $4 75; cubes $5 00. Potatoes were quoted steady; Long Island $3 00@3 25; South Jersey sweets $2 50@4 00; Jerseys $1 75@2 00; New York and Western per 180 lbs., $1 50@2 00. Cotton seed oil was quiet at unchanged prices, closing steady; Prime crude here nominal; prime crude f. o. b. mills 34@34½c; prime summer yellow 40½@41c; off summer yellow 39c; prime white 45c; prime winter yellow 45c; prime meal $27 50@28 00, nominal.

CHICAGO, Jan. 24.—A new high mark was recorded on May wheat to-day, the top notch being reached at 82½c; and after an active session the close was ½@1c higher. May corn was ½@⅔c higher and oats were up ½c. Provisions were firm, the May products being up from 5 to 7½c.

CHICAGO, Jan. 24—Cash prices: Flour quiet, firm; winter patents $3 70@3 86; straights $3 30@3 60; spring patents $3 60@3 95; straights $3 10@3 50; bakers' $3 45@3 90. Wheat—No 2 spring 79c; No. 3 spring 72@79c; No 2 red 76¾@78¾c. Corn—No. 2 46½@47c; No. 2 yellow 46½@47c. Oat—No. 2 34¼c; No. 2 white —c; No. 3 white 34¼@36. Mess pork, per barrel, $17 00@17 50. Lard, per 100 lbs., $10 30@10 25. Short rib sides, loose, $9 12¾@9 25. Dry salted shoulders, boxed, $8 25@8 50. Short clear sides, boxed, $9 25@10 55. Whiskey—Basis of high wines, $1 30.

The leading futures ranged as follows—opening, highest, lowest and closing: Wheat—No. 2 January 77¾, 78¼, 77¼, 77¾c; May 81½@81¾, 83¾, 80¾, 82@82¼c; July 75¾@75¾, 75¾, 74¾, 75¾c. Corn—No 2, January 46¼@46¾, 47, 46¼, 46½c; May 44¾@44¾, 45¼, 44¾, 44¾@45c; July 43@43¼, 43¾, 43, 43¾c. Oats—No. 2, January 34¼c; May 36¼@36¼, 36¾, 36¼, 36¾@36¾c; July 33¼, 33¾, 33¼, 32¾c. Mess pork, per bbl—January $19 20, 19 20, 19 00, 19 05; May $16 87½, 16 92½, 16 85, 16 90. Lard, per 100 lbs.,—January $10 20, 10 25, 10 20, 10 25; May $9 63¼, 9 67½, 9 62½, 9 65; July $9 42½, 9 45, 9 42½, 9 45. Short ribs, per 100 lbs—January $9 13¾; May $9 25, 9 30, 9 25, 9 27½; July $9 10, 9 12½, 9 10, 9 12½.

FOREIGN MARKET

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LIVERPOOL, Jan. 24.—Cotton: Spot in fair demand, prices six points lower; American middling fair 5.40d; good middling 4.96d; middling 4.78d; low middling 4.66d; good ordinary 4.54d; ordinary 4.42d. The sales of the day were 8,000 bales, of which 1,000 bales were for speculation and export and included 6,900 bales American. Receipts 18,000 bales, including 8,400 bales American.

Futures opened quiet and closed steady; American middling (g o e) January 4.71@4.72d; January and February 4.71@4.72d; February and March 4.71@4.72d; March and April 4.71@4.72d; April and May 4.72@4.73d; May and June 4.73@4.74d; June and July 4.73@4.74d; July and August 4.73d; August and September 4.65@4.66d; September and October 4.47d; October and November 4.36d.

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W. & W. Railroad—173 bales cotton, 2 barrels crude turpentine.

W., C. & A. Railroad—275 bales cotton, 1 cask spirits turpentine, 58 barrels rosin, 131 barrels tar, 7 barrels crude turpentine.

A. & Y. Railroad—76 bales cotton, 7 casks spirits turpentine, 261 barrels rosin, 42 barrels tar.

Steamer Compton—6 bales cotton, 42 barrels tar.

Autrey's Raft—453 barrels rosin.

Total—504 bales cotton, 8 casks spirits turpentine, 772 barrels rosin, 311 barrels tar, 14 barrels crude turpentine.

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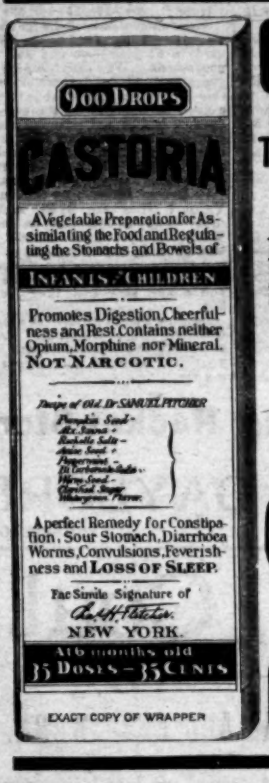
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A Saving Entanglement

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"You did it on purpose"—

"Believe me, nothing was further from"—

"I shall never believe a man so long as I live"—

The hands fumbling with the entangled skates closed convulsively over the gleaming steel of the smaller pair.

"The trouble was that you never did believe in him really. You were always unjust"—

His voice was low and tense. The girl drew aside impatiently.

"Mr. Ludlow, will you kindly disentangle those skates, or at least let us step out of people's way."

Her cheeks were aflame. Nell Priestly had just leaned over the side of her cutter to gaze at them curiously, standing thus before the Palace drugstore.

"I am doing my best," came the humble reply. He jerked off one glove, and Helen could not refrain from glancing down at his long, shapely hand, with the seal ring she had given him the Christmas just after their engagement was announced. He had not sent it back with the other things.

The two pairs of skates swung apart, but be kept close to her side.

"As long as we've gone this far—I mean—er—we've been seen together again—I might as well walk with you. I take it we are bound for the same place, the park."

Helen stared straight ahead.

"I believe you did it on purpose," she remarked irrelevantly.

"I couldn't," he responded, knowing full well what she meant. "It would take months of practice to entangle a pair of skates like that just in passing you, and you've given me no chance to get that near you in—how many months is it, Helen?"

She ignored the question.

"But you came into the store on purpose"—

"Vain child! I needed some potash tablets for my throat."

"But," she persisted, "you did not discover the fact until you caught my eye across my cup of hot chocolate, and then you hesitated."

"So you acknowledge that you were watching me? Well, that is a hopeful symptom. Somehow lately when we've met I've felt that you saw nothing but space."

"Do stop raking over dead ashes, Lester!"

"Are they really dead, Helen? Isn't there just the least little spark still burning?" This was not banter. He was thoroughly in earnest.

"You must know that I love you; that I loved you even when you doubted me. And you were so unreasonable. You would not let me explain"—

She glanced at him critically, he thought coldly.

"You have survived the episode excellently. You are looking very well."

There was just a suggestion of a sob in her voice. People had said that Helen had fallen off considerably in the last few months.

"Yes, I have honestly tried to forget my disappointment. I have worked hard. The god Mammon has rewarded me better than did the little fellow to whom I formerly paid my devotions."

"I—I thought we—you—were very happy while it lasted."

"Happy and yet miserable. Helen, can't you see that your lack of faith, your feeling that I did not prove my devotion to you, were torture to me? You could not or would not understand my temperament. Because I did not tell you every time we met that you were the most adorable woman God had ever made, that I could not live without you and all the rest of the childish, pretty compliments men pay to a certain sort of woman you said I did not love you, and yet in a hundred ways I showed you that you were the one woman in the world to me. I never called on any other girl—no, dear, not even since you broke our engagement. I haunted your home until I was ashamed to look your father in the face. I tried to show you that I needed you every hour of my life. I gave up my pipe because you did not like it. I cut the Athletic club because you objected to that gang of fellows. But because I did not announce my reasons from the housetops you did not understand that it was for you, all for you."

They had reached the lake in the park. Helen sank mechanically on the frozen bank and with the old childish gesture handed him her skates. He fastened them with hands that trembled.

"Can't you understand, Helen?"

Still she sat staring dumbly across the glittering expanse of ice to the woodland with its glistening, ghostly trees. Never had he talked like this before, and the scales had fallen from her eyes with a suddenness that left her fairly dazzled. No; she had never understood him. He had seemed to take their engagement so lightly. He had hurt her again and again with his perpetual joking. It had all been so serious a matter with her, and she had thought he placed too light an estimate on her love because—because—well, no sane man should treat lightly so serious an affliction as a retrousse nose.

She rose and poised gracefully on her skates. Ludlow stretched out his hands, and her own cuddled into his confidingly. Across the lake they sped, looking straight into each other's eyes.

"You understand me better now, Helen," he pleaded. "Tell me, dear, that you believe I loved you always"—

She really wanted to reply in the "Yes" he longed to hear, but it was a novel experience to see him so deadly in earnest. She shook her head slightly.

"Oh, Lester, you're not been practicing law in vain! As a pleader you're improving."

A pained look came into his honest eyes. His clasp on her hands loosened, and with a coquettish glance she shot away from him. She shouted something over her shoulder, but he lost the words in a sharp, ominous crackle of weak ice. There was a shrill scream, and a second later he was circling round a black hole where a crimson Tam O'Shanter had disappeared.

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They sat by the park keeper's fire, wrapped in strange, unsightly garments. Their host had bustled out into his bachelor kitchen to brew a hot drink.

Helen faced Ludlow abruptly. There were dark circles under her eyes and her chin quivered pathetically as she said:

"Lester, dear, did you hear what I called to you just before"—

"No," he said moodily. "A man drenched to the skin is not susceptible to coquetry."

She continued bravely:

"I said that I knew you loved me always better than I deserved. Yes, I said that, dearest, before you jumped in after me. You believe me, don't you?"

He looked into her eyes. They glowed softly, tenderly. He took her in his arms.

"God bless you, girlie, and those skates!"

HE FASTENED HER SKATES WITH HANDS THAT TREMBLED.

Moot Point of Law.

An English writer gives a good example of those quibbles in legal practice that have a sort of fascination for certain minds. Some years ago, while traveling on the continent, he met the principal lawyer for the government of one of the principalities, who told him of a curious legal question. It had reference to a railway station at the boundary between two principalities.

Some one standing outside the window of the ticket office had put his hand through and robbed the till inside. The boundary line lay between where the thief stood and the till, so that he was actually in one territory while the crime was committed in the other. Here was a nice nut for the gentlemen learned in the law to crack. Which of the principalities should undertake the prosecution of the culprit?

At it they went in good earnest, and the arguments on either side were long and vehement till the whole case was embalmed in many volumes. At last one side yielded so far as to say:

"We will permit you, as an act of courtesy, to prosecute, while at the same time reserving all our sovereign rights."

At this point of the recital the Englishman asked, "And how did the prosecution end?"

"Ah, that is quite another matter!" said his friend. "There was no prosecution; we were only arranging what we should do when we caught the robber, but we never caught him."

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"What's the matter? Doesn't the machinery do all I claimed for it?" asked the agent.

"Ya, but I overlooks sometings."

"What was that?"

"Veil, it dakes only dwo men to handle de fuel, but it dakes de udder two men to haul avay vat ve didn't use before und a team besides."

A Military Doubt.

"Did you see a boy about my size round the corner?" a boy inquired of an elderly gentleman who was passing.

"Yes, I believe I did," said the man.

"Did he look ugly?"

"I didn't notice."

"Did he look scared?"

"I don't know. Why?"

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Schedule in Effect Jan. 11, 1903.

TRAIN 39 Leaves Wilmington at 4.30 P. M., arrives Lamberton 6.56 P. M., Pembroke 7.30 P. M., Maxton 7.55 P. M., Hamlet 8.40 P. M.

TRAIN 40 Leaves Hamlet at 8.30 A. M., arrives Maxton 9.12 A. M., Pembroke 9.48 A. M., Lamberton 10.06 A. M., Wilmington 12.30 noon.

WESTBOUND FROM HAMLET.

Hamlet	8.30 a m	9.00 p m
Ar Monroe	10.22 a m	10.45 p m
Ar Charlotte	11.40 a m	11.59 p m
Ar Chester	12.01 p m	11.30 p m
Ar Greenwood	3.49 p m	5.05 a m
Ar Athens	5.19 p m	6.15 a m
Ar Atlanta	7.40 p m	6.15 a m

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Ar Columbia	7.24 a m	11.55 a m	1.10 a m
Ar Savannah	9.45 a m	2.15 p m	4.55 a m
Ar Jacksonville	1.30 p m	7.40 p m	9.15 a m
Ar Tampa		8.45 a m	6.00 p m

NORTHBOUND FROM HAMLET.

Lv Hamlet	10.25 p m	8.45 a m	12.10 a m
Ar Raleigh	1.15 a m	11.45 a m	3.38 a m
Ar Norlina	3.18 a m	1.30 p m	
Ar Petersburg	5.32 a m	4.09 p m	
Ar Richmond	6.10 a m	4.50 p m	6.46 a m
Ar Washington	9.45 a m	8.35 p m	10.10 a m
Ar Baltimore	10.52 a m	11.25 p m	11.31 a m
Ar New York	3.15 p m	6.30 a m	4.35 p m

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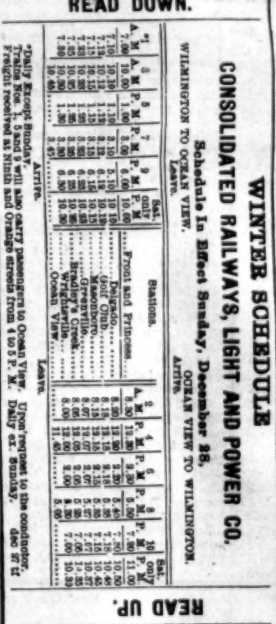

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Schedule In Effect Jan. 11, 1903.

NORTHBOUND.

	No. 43	No. 40
Lv Wilmington	9 30 a m	7.00 p m
Ar Goldsboro	12.21 p m	9 38 p m
Ar Wilson	1 19 p m	10 46 p m
Ar Rocky Mount	1 55 p m	11.36 p m
Ar Norfolk	5 55 p m	
Ar Weldon	4 53 p m	1 55 a m
Ar Petersburg	6 28 p m	3.35 a m
Ar Richmond	7.45 p m	4 07 a m
Ar Washington	11.40 p m	7 34 a m
Ar Baltimore	1.38 a m	9 10 a m
Ar Philadelphia	4.05 a m	11 25 a m
Ar New York	7.15 a m	2.00 p m

SOUTHBOUND.

	No. 41	No. 40
Lv New York	9 35 a m	9 35 p m
Ar Philadelphia	11 50 a m	12 10 a m
Ar Baltimore	1 44 p m	4 07 a m
Ar Washington	3.20 p m	5.45 a m
Ar Norfolk		9 00 a m
Ar Richmond	6.26 p m	8.50 a m
Ar Petersburg	7 38 p m	9 13 a m
Ar Weldon	9 04 p m	11 22 a m
Ar Rocky Mount	10 07 p m	12 50 p m
Ar Wilson	10 48 p m	1.46 p m
Ar Goldsboro	1.16 a m	2.55 p m
Ar Wilmington	10.10 a m	5.45 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND THE SOUTH.

SOUTHBOUND.

	Daily Ex. Sunday.	Daily.	Daily.
Lv Wilmington	6.00 a m	3.45 p m	7.00 p m
Ar Florence	9.35 a m	7.30 p m	3.55 a m
Ar Charleston	1.10 p m	11.15 p m	8.45 a m
Ar Savannah	6.35 p m	3.00 a m	7.35 a m
Ar Jacksonville	9.00 a m		12.45 p m
Ar Tampa	7.00 p m		10.00 p m

NORTHBOUND.

	Daily Ex. Sunday.	Daily.
Lv Tampa	8.05 p m	9.30 a m
Ar Jacksonville	7.30 a m	7.00 p m
Ar Savannah	1.10 p m	1.15 a m
Ar Charleston	5.15 p m	6.30 a m
Ar Florence	9.03 p m	9.45 a m
Ar Wilmington	11.45 p m	1.40 p m

BETWEEN WILMINGTON AND SANFORD.

	West Bound Daily.	East Bound Daily
Lv Wilmington	3.10 a m	Ar. 8.00 p m
Ar Fayetteville	12.20 p m	Ar. 5.00 p m
Ar Sanford	1.50 p m	Lv. 3.45 p m

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	North Bound Daily ex Sunday.	South Bound
Lv Wilmington	2.25 p m	Ar. 12.05 p m
Ar Newbern	5.45 p m	Lv. 9.00 a m

‡Via Wilson.

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Time Table No. 16.

To Take Effect Sunday, Oct. 21, 1900, at 12.01 A. M.

GOING EAST. Passg'r Trains Arrive	Leave	STATIONS.	GOING WEST. Passg'r Trains Arrive	Leave
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
.....	1 40	Goldsboro	11 05	.....
.....	4 30	Kinston	12 10	.....
6 40	5 00	Newbern	1 37	1 50
7 05	7 25	Morehead City	4 00	4 00
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.

Train 4 connects with W. & W. train bound North, leaving Goldsboro at 11.05 A. M., and with Southern Railway train West, leaving Goldsboro 1.50 P. M., and with W. & W. at Newbern for Wilmington and intermediate points.

Train 3 connects with Southern Railway train, arriving at Goldsboro 1.50 P. M., and with W. & W. train from the North at 4.30 P. M. No. 1 train also connects with W. & W. for Wilmington and intermediate points.

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NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the next General Assembly for the passage of an Act granting a charter to the Elizabeth City and Carolina Through Line Railroad Co., (or other name suggested at time of making application) to build a railroad from Wilmington, N. C., to Elizabeth City, N. C.

January 1st, 1903.

jan 1 lm ROBERT G. GRADY.

The Morning Star.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

SUNDAY MORNING, JANUARY 25.

NEGROES CALL UPON PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT.

To Discuss the General Subject of Appointment of Negroes to Federal Offices and to Suggest a Plan.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 24.—President Roosevelt to-day received a call from William Pledger, a well known negro politician of Georgia, and Bishop A. Walters, a prominent colored churchman, who desired to discuss with him the general subject of the appointment of negroes to Federal offices. The former is acting president of the Afro-American Council, the leading negro political organization of the country, and Bishop Walters is chairman of the executive committee of the council.

They told the President that they feared he was being embarrassed by many pending claims of negroes for political preferment and indicated their intention, after consultation with colored men throughout the country, to call a meeting of the executive committee of the Afro-American council, to be held here, for the purpose of devising some means of regulating the claims of the cases of those who are not entitled fairly to such consideration. The executive committee consists of three members from each State.

It is proposed to suggest to the executive committee the creation of a central committee of prominent colored men, the duty of the committee being to pass finally upon the claims of negro applicants for Federal appointment before they are presented to the President. It is pointed out that this or some similar plan would relieve the President from much annoyance, and the promoters of the idea hope to see it carried into effect. The President did not indicate to his callers what his views respecting their plan were.

AS TO NEGRO EDUCATION.

Resolutions Adopted at a Meeting of Colored Teachers of New Hanover.

WHEREAS, There is a great manifestation of interest on the part of the people of North Carolina in the cause of popular education; and

WHEREAS, We have observed the great and inestimable labors of Gov. Aycock, State Superintendent Joyner and Prof. W. Catlett of our county in its support, and *Whereas* the people of North Carolina have spent impartially a fabulous sum of money in support of the education of the masses of this State, therefore

Resolved—That the undersigned, being colored teachers of the county of New Hanover, in meeting assembled would extend our infinite gratitude to the people of North Carolina for the impartial and generous manner in which they have contributed to the education of our race.

Resolved—That as we have observed with inexpressible pleasure the indefatigable labors of Gov. Aycock and Supt. Joyner in the cause of education we would extend to them our gratitude for their great service thus rendered.

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Be it further resolved, that we commend and approve the recent magnanimous report of Supt. J. Y. Joyner to the Legislature in support of an impartial education of the masses of the people.

[Signed] J. A. Bonner, (chairman), L. E. Nixon, A. Webb, F. E. Telfair, J. J. Clemmons, Jr., (secretary).

ALASKA BOUNDARY.

A Treaty Signed Providing for Settlement of the Question.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 24.—Secretary Hay and Sir Michael Herbert, the British ambassador, to-day signed a treaty providing for the settlement of the Alaskan boundary question. Efforts in this direction have been put forth for a long time, the Canadian miners being anxious to get through the Klondike to the sea without passing through American territory and the Americans insisting upon their right to the coast line and the control of the ports. The treaty signed to-day provides for the reference of all these boundary questions to a mixed tribunal of jurists, three on each side, to determine the interpretation to be placed on the treaty of 1852 between Great Britain and Russia which defined the boundaries between British America and Alaska.

BRIBERY INVESTIGATION.

Several Witnesses Examined by the Naval Affairs Committee of the House.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, January 24. — The Naval Affairs Committee of the House to-day resumed the investigation of the charges made by Representative Lessler, of New York, that he had been approached with an offer of money for his vote in the committee. Philip Doblin, of New York, was the first witness called, and the taking of his testimony occupied a greater portion of the forenoon session. He was followed by John McCullaugh, superintendent of elections in New York. Lemuel E. Quigg testified at the afternoon session.

At an executive session of the committee held at the close of the hearing to-day it was decided to call two witnesses Monday.

APPROPRIATIONS VOTED.

For Headstones for Graves of Confederate Soldiers in the North.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 24.—The Senate to-day passed bills appropriating $300,000 for appropriate headstones for the graves of Confederate soldiers who died in Northern prisons, and providing for monuments to the memory of Generals Francis Nash and Wm. Lee Davidson, of North Carolina, both revolutionary soldiers.

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Bears the Signature of *Chas. H. Fletcher.*

SPOONER DEFENDS THE PRESIDENT.

Discussion in Senate Over Roosevelt's Action in Closing Indianola's Postoffice.

McLAURIN MAKES RESPONSE.

Refutes Assertions That the People of the Town Are Lawless and Brutal. Race Prejudice Exists in North as Well as in the South.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 24.—Constructively the Statehood bill was to-day as usual before the Senate, but as a matter of fact the admission of the territories was scarcely mentioned in the course of the day's proceedings. Early in the afternoon Mr. Spooner, of Wisconsin, took the floor to discuss the President's action in discontinuing the postoffice at Indianola, Miss., and refusing to receive the resignation of the negro postmaster—Mrs Cox. He defended the President and was responded to by Mr. McLaurin, of Mississippi, who said there had been no threats against Mrs. Cox, but who admitted that she was objectionable because of her color.

Mr. Spooner said he had no criticism to make of Mr. McLaurin, whose remarks had been respectful and well tempered, but that he appeared to justify the attitude of the postmaster general and the President. He contended that there was not in Secretary Cortelyou's announcement of the President's attitude in the case anything to justify the inference of Mr. McLaurin that it was intended to denounce the entire population of Indianola as lawless and brutal. "No man is less likely than the President to enter upon such a wholesale condemnation of the people of Indianola," he said.

Mr. Spooner said that the President's action had been caused by the course of the minority in the vicinity of the postoffice. Mrs. Cox, Mr. Spooner declared, has as much right under the constitution and the laws to hold her office without restraint and duress as has any member of the Senate to hold his seat in the Senate chamber.

Detailing the proceedings at the mass meeting at which Mrs. Cox's resignation was requested, Mr. Spooner said the circumstances were such as to convince any one that she was not a free agent in the matter. "When before," he asked, "had it been left to a local mass meeting to accept the resignation of a Federal officeholder, and fix the time in which it should take effect"? Whether this course on the part of the meeting had indicated the presence of a lawless and brutal element depended, the Senator said, on the point of view. He called attention to the fact that the sheriff of the county was among the participants in the meeting.

Replying to Mr. Tillman, Mr. Spooner said that "the sheriff is the conservator of the peace—up North." To this Mr. Tillman responded that he had not observed that generally sheriffs devote themselves to the duty of acting as bodyguards for people.

Proceeding, Mr. Spooner said the sheriff had not denied the statement credited to him. He again referred to the sheriff's participation in the mass meeting, and asked whether Mrs. Cox would have resigned of her own free will but for the pressure thus brought upon her. The woman's compliance with the request for her resignation was, he asserted, an attitude of fear, of supplication to what she considered a superior power. He appreciated the delicacy of the situation of the people of the South, he said, and sympathized with them in their difficulties. It must, however, be borne in mind that in this case the objection was to a woman and to a woman of good character. The fact of her sex, the Senator thought, went far toward justifying the charge that the conduct of the meeting was brutal as had been indicated in Mr. Cortelyou's note.

Mr. Spooner read a letter to the postoffice inspector from Congressman-elect Humphrey, bearing upon the Indianola case, in which he stated that a "majority of the people of Indianola are opposed to the course of the minority in insisting upon Mrs. Cox's resignation." This statement, he said, confirmed the charge of undue pressure and of lawlessness.

Proceeding, Mr. Spooner said the President knew that Mrs. Cox did not wish to resign and had accordingly refused to have the office vacated. The people themselves, to all intents and purposes, had closed the office. In pursuing the course he did the President had acted upon a principle vital to the strength and virility and the preservation of the government, namely that the Federal government shall be allowed to conduct its own affairs without regard to local pressure. The maintenance of this principle, Mr. Spooner said, was essential, and he declared that the President had acted upon this principle in refusing to accept Mrs. Cox's resignation.

Mr. Spooner read two letters from A. B. Weeks, one of which caused considerable amusement, as Week's was a candidate for the office. He also read a letter from J. L. Davis, Mayor of Indianola, who wrote the inspector that he thought the best way out was for Mrs. Cox to resign, adding that he wanted "no unpleasant affairs to deal with as mayor." The mayor was a partner and brother-in-law of Weeks.

He also read a portion of the report of Inspector Fitzgerald detailing an interview with the sheriff and mayor. The former acknowledged that he had been correctly reported in the inspector's report concerning the postoffice affair.

Mr. Spooner, reverting to the President, said he hoped he would continue his course until the people of Indianola regain their reason. The war, he said, was for the one principle of the right of the Federal government to control its affairs everywhere without the consent of the States.

Mr. McLaurin, of Mississippi, said he had not in his former speech discussed the propriety or the impropriety of the President's closing the postoffice at Indianola, and he contended that nothing he had said had justified the remarks of the senator from Wisconsin. He had not, when he first spoke, believed that the people of Indianola had earned the epithets of lawless and brutal which had been applied by the President's secretary, and he repeated that it had not even now been shown that the charge was justified. On the contrary, he contended that the best feeling exist between Mrs. Cox and the people of Indianola, barring the prejudice of race. That this prejudice exists the people had freely admitted and there was no disposition to deny it. "It exists," he said, throughout the South, aye," he added, "and throughout the North also." The people had exercised their right to petition and it had done no good, and he had never before heard it argued in the Senate that the people had not the right to assemble and make known their wants. In this case the petitioners did not want Mrs. Cox as postmaster and had frankly said so. Moreover, it was their right to present this petition to Mrs. Cox if they preferred to do so, and there was no ground for charges on that account.

Mr. McLaurin stated that notwithstanding three-fourths of the people at Indianola are colored, five-sixths of the mail received at and sent from the postoffice there is to and from white people. He read the petition to Mrs. Cox, contending that the address was in every way respectful. His information was that the meeting at which the resignation had been accepted had been attended by each of the eighty-five white men in the town, "except Mr. A. D. Weeks, who had gone over to the Republicans in order to secure an office, as is the case with most men who go to that party."

No doubt the people wanted the woman out of office because of her color, but it did not follow that on that account they felt any hatred toward her on account of color. The prejudice was due, he said, to the inferiority of the colored race.

He contended that the charge made by Mr. Cortelyou had not been directed at a minority of the people of Indianola, but at all of them; as all had participated in the meeting. The President had shown a disposition to shut his ears to the other side of the question.

Mr. McLaurin said he had not seen all the correspondence in the case, that he had requested copies of it, but had been refused by the Postmaster General and had been referred to the President. When he received a note from the President he had requested to be shown all the paper but had not seen all the documents read by Mr. Spooner before the Senate to day. He asserted that there had been threats of personal violence, and he added, "none can be found unless it be found in the fertile brains of the President, Postmaster General and the postoffice inspectors." Even granting there was intimidation, was it not still the duty of the President to furnish the people the best possible postal facilities? In directing that Indianola may be supplied from Greenville the postoffice authorities had placed upon the people of Indianola an additional hardship.

Mr. McLaurin said he did not believe the people of Indianola had done wrong in trying to get rid of a postmaster of an inferior race, but right or wrong, they still had the right to ask for relief. That they had done, and only that, and only the oratory of the senator from Wisconsin could distort that into an act of duress. In conclusion, Mr. McLaurin said he had no feeling of enmity toward the colored people, but that on the other hand he always contended for the protection of their rights.

After an executive session the Senate adjourned until Monday.

House of Representatives

The House worked all day on the Agricultural Appropriation bill and finally passed it with only one amendment of moment—an increase of the appropriation for free seeds from $270,000 to $300,000. The amendment was offered by Mr. Candler, of Mississippi.

The House adjourned until to-morrow, when eulogies will be delivered upon the late Representatives De-Graffenreid and Sheppard of Texas.

GREAT BRITAIN AND THE UNITED STATES.

Reciprocity Treaty With Cuba Threatens Serious Differences of Opinion. British Cabinet Called.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, Jan. 25.—The reciprocity treaty between Cuba and the United States threatens to raise one of the most serious differences of opinion between Great Britain and the United States that has occurred for years. So much importance is attached to the matter that a meeting of the cabinet is being specially summoned to see what action can be taken. There is, of course, no alarmist feeling as to any possible straining of diplomatic relations, but Great Britain's entire commercial policy is believed to be vitally concerned. The matter came to a head through the deputation from the Chamber of Commerce of the United Kingdom which waited upon Foreign Secretary Lansdowne yesterday. Replying to the delegates' argument that all the advantages which the government has gained by securing the abolition of the sugar bounties would be sacrificed if the Cuban reciprocity treaty became operative, Lord Lansdowne said he thoroughly realized the gravity of the situation and read dispatches showing that Ambassador Herbert had forcefully represented the British objections to the treaty. Secretary Hay's reply maintained that the United States was doing no more than it had the right to do and intimated that it had no intention of modifying the Cuban treaty.

Postpone Ratification.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 24.—The State Department is considering the advisability of extending the period of time allowed for the ratification of the Cuban reciprocity, now pending before the United States Senate. The time allowed for ratification expires one week from to-day. While the Senate managers are confident of their ability to secure the approval of the treaty within the time limit, the President and Secretary Hay have about concluded that they will scarcely be warranted in risking the loss of this important convention, and therefore they contemplate the drafting of a special article in the shape of a protocol which will provide for a safe extension of the period allowed for ratification.

ORDER OF HIBERNIANS.

Protest Against British Government Sentencing to Death Arthur Lynch.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

SYRACUSE, N. Y., Jan. 24.—James E. Dolan, national president of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, to-day issued a protest against the action of the British government in sentencing to death Arthur Lynch, convicted of high treason. It concludes:

"We deem it the duty of the members of the A. O. H. to protest in the strongest terms against this, the latest outrage against Ireland and Irishmen. We hope that our members everywhere will take up the matter and act upon it in a manner worthy of Irishmen and of the cause of Irish nationality."

Joseph Stubel, who lived at No. 917 South Sixteenth street, Philadelphia, last night murdered William Blair, of 3948 Reno street, fatally shot Anthony Seitz, of 1637 Fontain street, and then turned the revolver on himself. He died a short time later in a hospital.

A dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph Company, London, from Constantinople, says: "The American Tobacco Trust has arranged with the Porte to secure nearly the whole of the output of Turkish tobacco."

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ALLIES REJECT BOWEN'S PROPOSAL

Refuse to Raise the Blockade of Venezuela and Will Continue Coercive Measures.

DEMAND PROPER GUARANTEE.

Feeling Is Increasing in Washington That Unless the Blockading Squadron Soon Withdraws Grave Complications May Arise.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, Jan. 24.—It was learned to-day by a representative of the Associated Press that Great Britain, Germany and Italy have agreed that Minister Bowen's proposal that the blockade of Venezuela be immediately raised cannot be entertained and that coercive action must continue until a proper guarantee is forthcoming. The Foreign Offices hold that any other course would entail a failure of the attempts to bring about a settlement by diplomacy at Washington.

Regarding the position of the other claimants against Venezuela, the blockading powers contend that their claims must first be sufficiently settled before the demands of countries which are not actively asserting them can receive attention.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 24.—An active exchange is going on between England and Venezuela, as represented by Mr. Bowen, respecting the latter's proposal to raise the blockade of the Venezuelan ports as a condition precedent to further negotiations. The British government is showing an amicable spirit in this matter and there are hopes of a satisfactory conclusion if Germany can be induced to accept the agreement about to be arrived at between Ambassador Herbert and Minister Bowen. The German government, however, has so far returned no answer to Mr. Bowen's proposition, which fact is the subject of unpleasant comment here.

Grave Complications Feared.

It is learned that the guaranters offered by Mr. Bowen are regarded by the U. S. government as eminently reasonable and sufficient. They include a proposition by President Castro to turn over the entire Venezuelan customs system to the allies for the collection of their indemnities and authorizes the allies to place an official in each of the Venezuelan custom houses to make sure that they secure their proper proportion of the receipts.

Venezuela's initial proposition to the allied powers remains unanswered by Germany and the blockade continues. This is the situation in a nut-shell to day, but it by no means indicates the diplomatic activity in Washington at this time. The feeling is increasing here that unless the blockading squadrons withdraw from Venezuelan waters within a comparatively short time grave complications may arise.

At midnight to-night Minister Bowen gave out the following statement:

"I have good reason to believe that the pending controversy between the three allied Powers and Venezuela will be settled soon and satisfactorily."

Mr. Bowen said that he was able to make this positive statement after a number of conferences held during the day and evening with the representatives of the allied Powers. He expressed his gratification over the prospects of a speedy settlement of the difficulty. He had nothing to say, however, as to what the assurances he has received include an immediate raising of the blockade.

ARRIVED AT CHARLESTON.

Torpedo Boat Flotilla Put In for Coal and Supplies.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHARLESTON, S. C., Jan. 24.—The torpedo boat flotilla, consisting of the torpedo boat destroyer Decatur and the torpedo boats Biddle, Bagley, Barney, Stockton and Thornton, under command of Lieutenant Chandler, came into port to-day for coal and supplies. The vessels are returning from the manœuvres in the Caribbean sea and are bound for Norfolk. The dispatch boat Dolphin left to-day for Hampton Roads.

FATAL ACCIDENT.

W. P. Knowles Shot and Killed by Thos. W. Dixon in Charlotte, N. C.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

CHARLOTTE, N. C., Jan. 24.—W. P. Knowles, superintendent of the Elizabeth mills in this city, was accidentally shot and killed to-night by Mr. Thomas W. Dixon, president of the Southern Hardware Co. Knowles had bought a self-acting revolver, and Dixon, believing it to be unloaded, was showing him how to work it, when the weapon exploded. The bullet took effect in Knowles' abdomen.

WARM WIRELETS.

A dispatch from Brunswick, Ga., says that arrangements have been made for the erection there by the Mohawk Valley Steel and Wire Company of a $6,000,000 steel plant.

The German steamer Brisgavia, Captain Schulke, from New Orleans January 1st via Newport News January 7th, is aground near Hamburg. Attempts to float her have been unsuccessful.

Eastern philanthropists, through the solicitation of the Kentucky Federation of Women's Clubs, have contributed a fund with which to establish an industrial school for mountain children in Knott county, Kentucky.

General Adna R. Chaffee, commander of the Department of the East, left Chattanooga last night for Atlanta and other Southern posts. He is accompanied by Colonel Lawrence, of the engineering corps; Captain Lindsay and Roy B. Harper, aides-de camp.

Resolutions protesting against the passage of a bill by the Pennsylvania legislature providing for the erection of a monument to General Lee at Gettysburg by the State of Pennsylvania in cooperation with the State of Virginia, were adopted at a meeting of G. R. Post 58 of Harrisburg.

—That man, remarked Smithers, makes a hundred speeches from the platform every day. Some great political leader I asked Smith ra. No, replied Smithers, "street car conductor. He says "Move up forward, please!" every time any one gets on his car.—*Cincinnati Commercial Tribune*

A dose of Anways Croup Syrup might save baby's life, if given at beginning of attack. Croup is dangerous and Anways is safe, safer to have a bottle in the house. Thousands use and recommend it. Try it for baby's cough or cold. 25 cts. at Robt. R. Bellamy's Drug Store.

Ungrateful Queen Bess.

Her majesty's service was apt to be more plentifully supplied with kicks than ha'pence. Every one who ever did anything for Queen Bess seems to have been left with a bad debt on his books. So we find an unfortunate John Conley writing to Sir Robert Cecil that for the last two years he had been suitor for £100 for "beeves for the army," and complaining that "unless some order be taken I shall be undone." Sir Edward Hastyngs, after spending his life in serving the queen, had to pawn his wife's jewels and beg her majesty "to bestow something upon me in this my latter age."

So badly was the fleet that beat the armada provisioned that Francis Drake had to seize at Plymouth ninety bags of rice, and the unfortunate owner, after ten years' waiting, was refused payment, "rice being an extraordinary victual not allowed for the navy." Nor did common soldiers fare better. The chief anxiety of all Elizabeth's ministers ought, in her view, to have been how to save most money.—London Telegraph.

Strange Fishing Matches.

In the olden time in England lords and ladies sometimes invented queer amusements. They were always on the lookout for some novelty, and one of the strangest they discovered was fishing by a goose. A line with a baited hook attached having been fastened to the goose, tied to its leg, she was flung into the water from the boat in which were all the gay lords and ladies. Then, when a pike caught the bait, she was sport indeed, a royal battle between bird and fish, and all the time, between the loud splashings, wheelings and flounderings, the onlookers in the boat giving vent to their feelings in cheers, handclappings and handkerchief waving.

But the goose was usually the victor, and ended the struggle by landing its prisoner on the shore, where its quack, quack, as it cleared itself from the line and waddled away ended the scene. The lake of Monteith in the southwest of Perthshire was often the scene of such angling matches.

The Bible and Law.

A certain well known lawyer, whose wife is almost an invalid, is telling a story which illustrates the often pointed, if unconscious, wit of the darky.

On one occasion, it seems, his wife was suffering intensely from a nervous headache and, thinking, perhaps, his voice might soothe her to sleep, asked him to read aloud to her, which he did as the colored maid went back and forth about the room setting things in order for the night.

Presently the maid quietly withdrew to the kitchen below, where the old cook, Aunt Phyllis, was making ready to lock up and depart.

"Mr. Alex sho' is a good man," said the maid, beginning. "He settin' up dar readin' de Bible to Miss Alice, an' she sick."

"Go on, chile," answered Aunt Phyllis; "don' yo' know Mr. Alex ain' readin' no Bible? He's a lawyer!"—New York Herald.

Making and Curing Dimples.

A pretty, lifelike dimple can be made to appear on a lady's cheek by means of a specially designed knife with a very small and very sharp blade, a daintily tiny, keen edged, silvered scoop and a very fine needle.

A small, straight incision is first made in the flesh. The little scoop is then used to remove a small portion of the underlying fat, while the sewing together with the needle the edges of the cut completes the operation. In a day or two the stitches are taken out, with in a week the wound being usually entirely healed, leaving the becoming little depression in the surface of the skin that is called a dimple.

It is not often that a woman desires the removal of a natural dimple, but occasionally a man who considers the mark to be a badge of effeminacy desires to get rid of it. Instead of removing the superfluous fat from beneath the surface a small portion of the skin is cut away. The edges of the dimple are drawn together with stitches, the incision heals and the depression disappears.

Fighting Lizards.

The ring necked lizard of the Arizona deserts is not a mere devourer of weaklings. He is always ready to fight, whether he is challenged by another or cornered by a man. When brought to bay in some hole, he opens his jaws and dashes bravely out, snapping at everything which opposes him, and so fierce and sudden is his rush that it is impossible to face it without flinching. By holding two of these lizards loosely by the small of the back and allowing their heads to clash as they struggle to escape, one may be able to induce combats such as must occur every day in the desperate lizard world.

Forgetting that they were captives, they would seize upon each other and vent their thwarted rage to the utmost in a fight which, but for timely interference, would doubtless lead to the death of one or the other. Such bulldog pugnacity is rather unlooked for in lizards, but a student of character could easily read in the set jaw and pouched throat of this species the signs of fighting blood.—Country Life In America.

Billiard Terms.

"What are the principal shots in billiards?" asked the fair young damsel of the wise young man. "The kiss, the follow, the bank and the draw," he replied. "How lovely!" she exclaimed. "It is almost like a courtship. First, the lover gets a kiss, then he follows the girl all about and then"—

"And then," interrupts the man who aspires to pessimism—"and then they get married and he goes to the bank and draws, for that is his cue, unless he wises to be frozen." (For the benefit of the unsuspecting reader, adds the Baltimore American, we will state that "cue" and "frozen" also are billiard terms. There are still more than might be worked into the little jeu d'esprit, such as "scratch," "break," "drive," "tip," "table," "run," etc., but lack of space prevents carrying the theme to the bitter end.)

Minute Parts of a Watch.

The minuteness of the parts of a watch is shown by the following figures: It takes 150,000 of one certain kind of watch screws to make a pound. The pivot of the balance wheel is only one-two-hundredths of an inch in diameter. Each jewel hole into which a pivot fits is about one-five-thousandths of an inch larger than the pivot, to permit sufficient play. The finest screw for a small sized watch has a thread of 260 to the inch and weighs one-one-hundred-and-thirty-thousandths of a pound. A pallet jewel weighs one one-hundred-and-fifty-thousandths of a pound; a roller jewel a little more than one-two-hundred-and-fifty-six-thousandths. The largest round hairspring stud is four-one-hundredths of an inch in diameter and about nine one-hundredths of an inch in length.

Occasional Relief.

Visitor to the Prison—I suppose this life of yours in here is a continual torture.

Convict—Oh, no! Not so bad as that. We don't have visitors every day, you know.—Boston Transcript.

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A special drive in Silks—all colors in pretty China Silk at 29c per yd. An elegant Taffetta Silk in all colors and black at 49c; an extra heavy quality of Black Taffetta Silk, yard wide, special at 88c, worth $1; a beautiful White China Silk at 50c per yd; a guaranteed Taffetta Silk $1.19 per yd; the heaviest and best warranted Taffetta, yard wide, at $1.39 per yd. Fifty pieces pretty Tricots in all the shades—pinks, bright blues and all staple colors, special at 25c per yd. A big selection of pretty patterns in a F. C. Madras, special at 10c per yd; a beautiful line of Madras in extremely pretty colors, equal to be-4 10c quality, we are selling at 8c. A nice line of Worsteds, special this week at 9c per yd. Nine thousand yards Tobacco Cloth, one yard wide, at 1½c per yard; 1,000 yards heavy Homespun at 4c per yard; 450 yards Old Glory Bleaching, equal to Fruit of Loom, at 7c per yard. Splendid yard wide Cavalier Bleaching at 5c Fruit of Loom, Masonville, Androscoggin and Barker's—plenty of all grades.

A big drive in Birdseye, best antiseptic quality, at 50c, 60c, 70c, 75c and 85c for the widest; also a full stock of Rubber Sheeting 4 yd wide at 38c, yard wide for 50c, 2 yards wide for $1.

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